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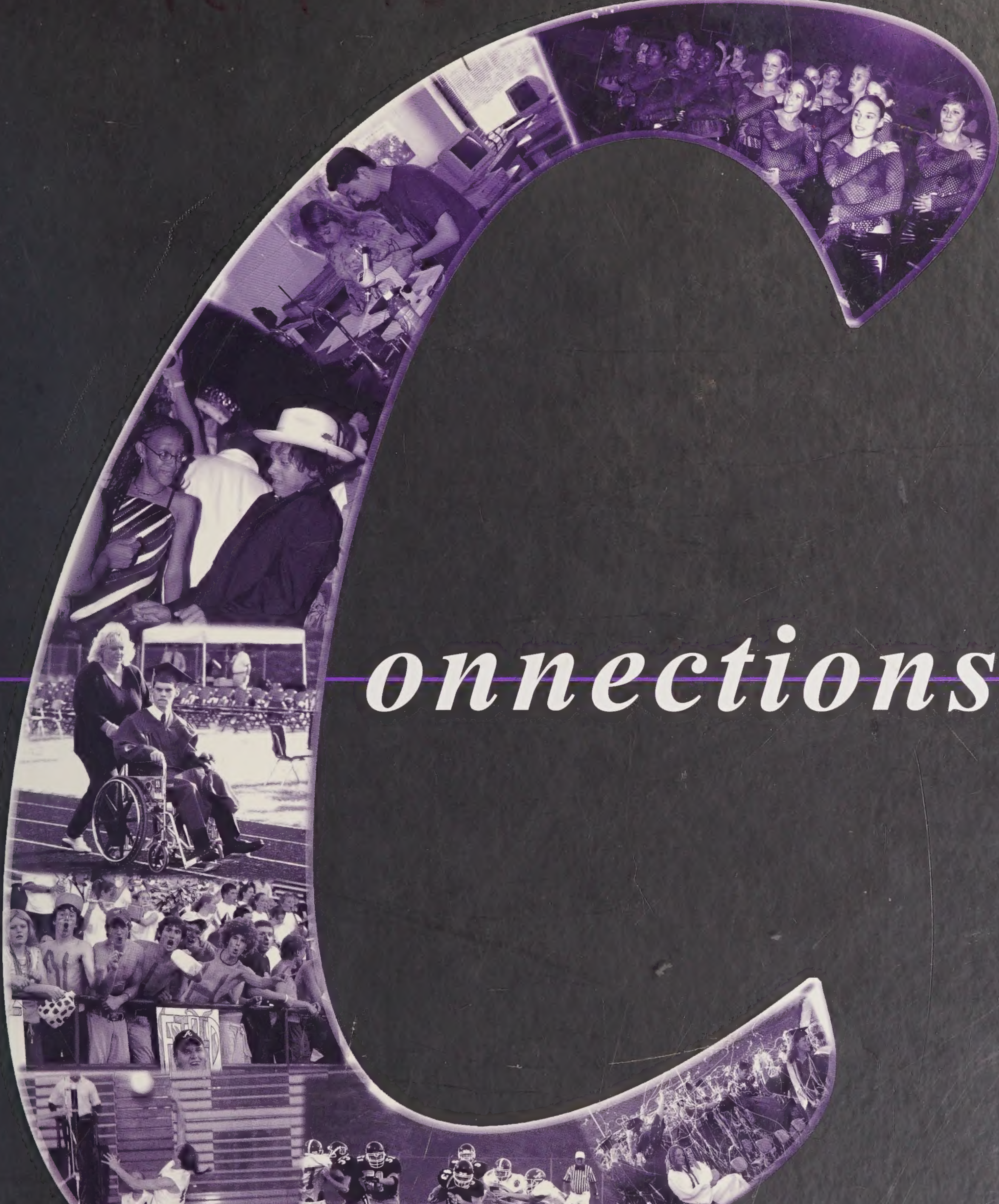

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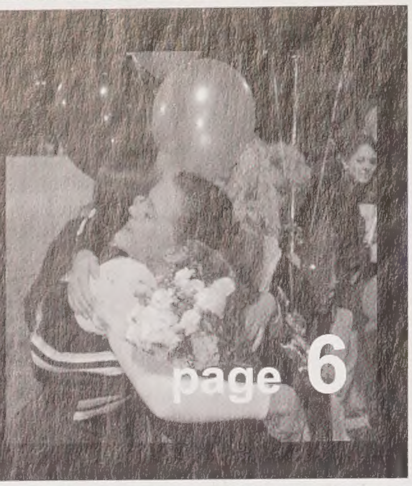

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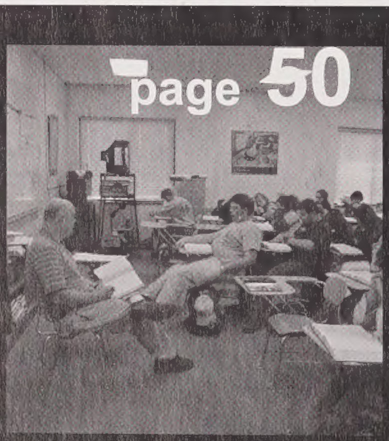

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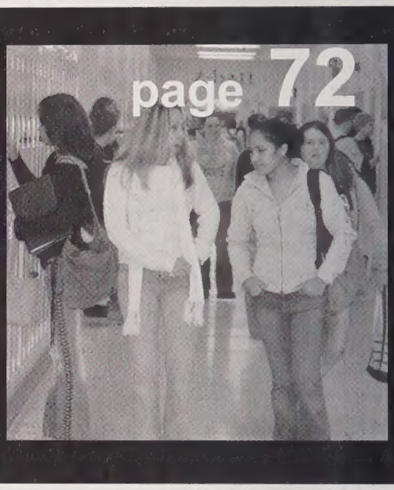

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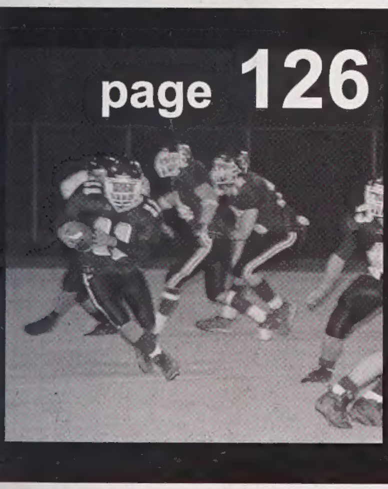

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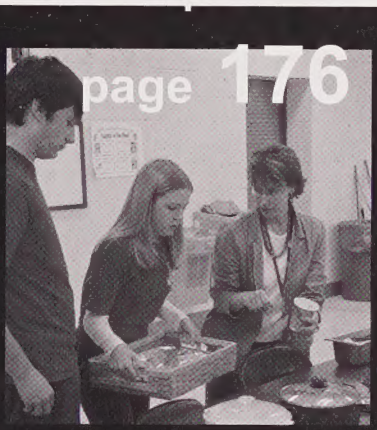

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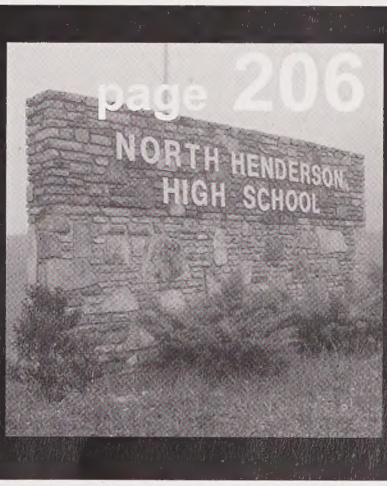

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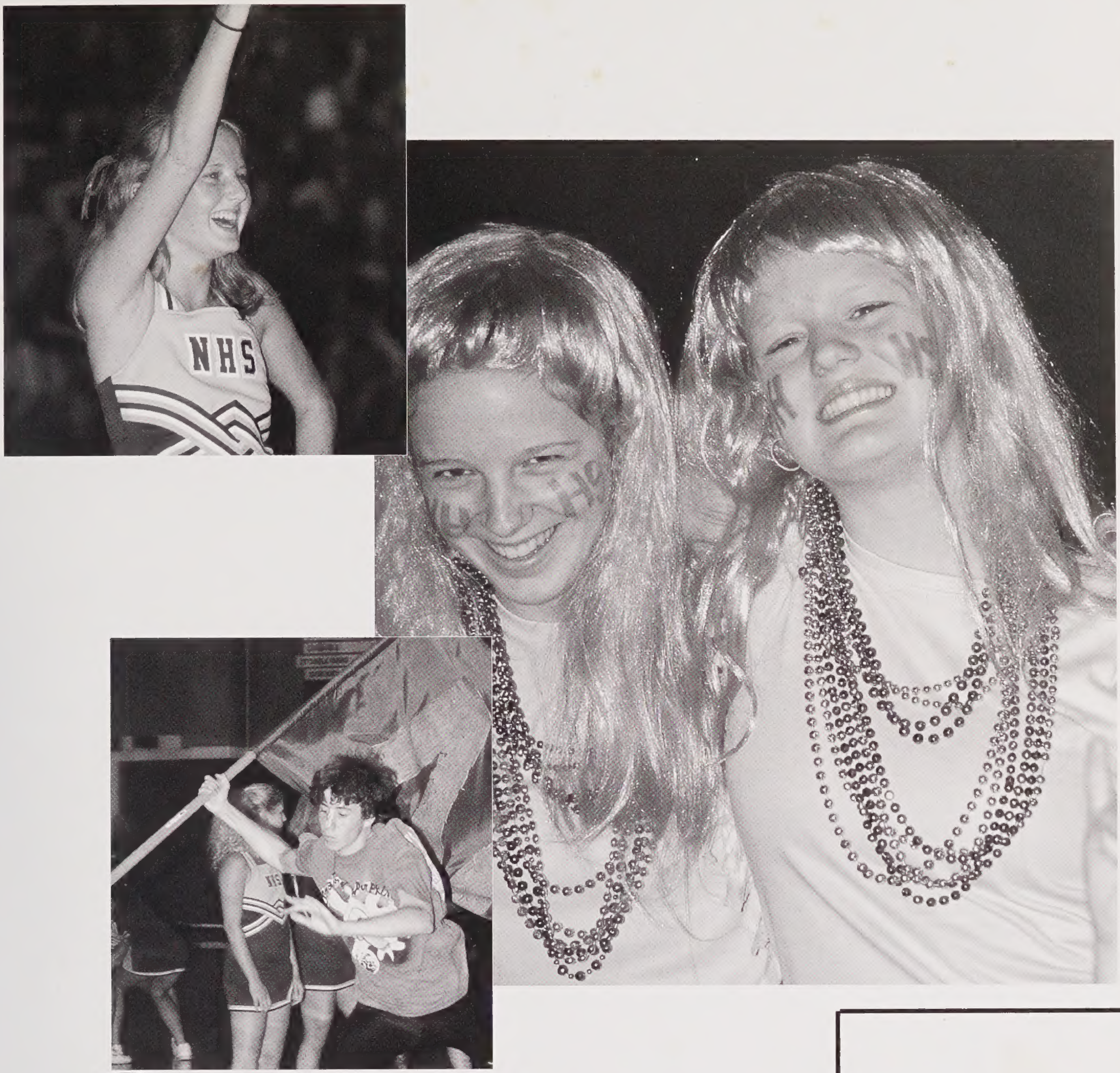

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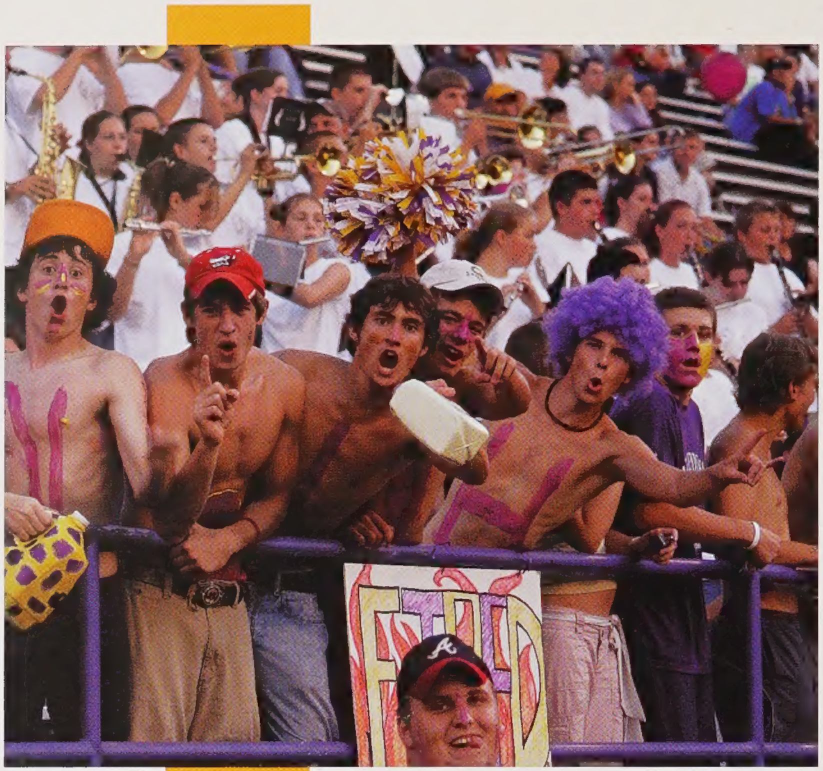

Football fans start to get pumped up as the game begins. Throughout a tough season the fans still kept faith. Photo by B. Griffith

The step team starts breaking it down after their routine at a pep rally. They step until they get tired and want to go home after practice. Photo by B. Griffith.

Justin Lamb catches the pass and goes for a touchdown. Justin, a junior, was often a starting player. The football team had a rough year. Photo by B. Griffith

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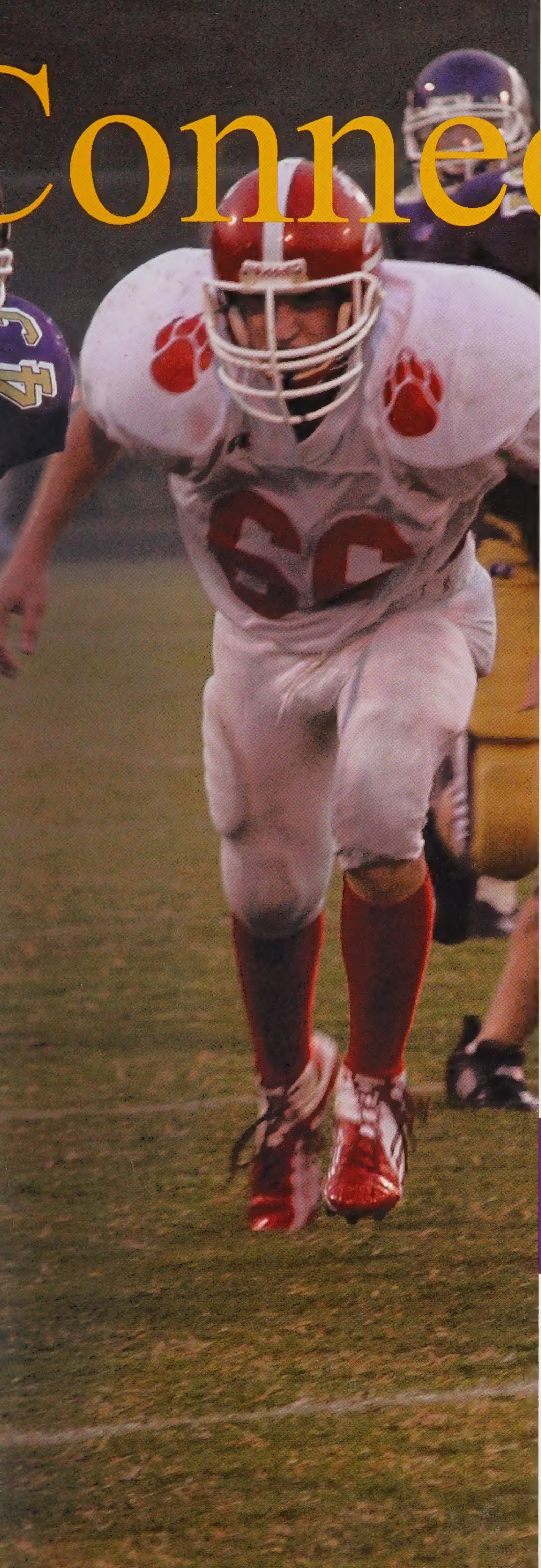
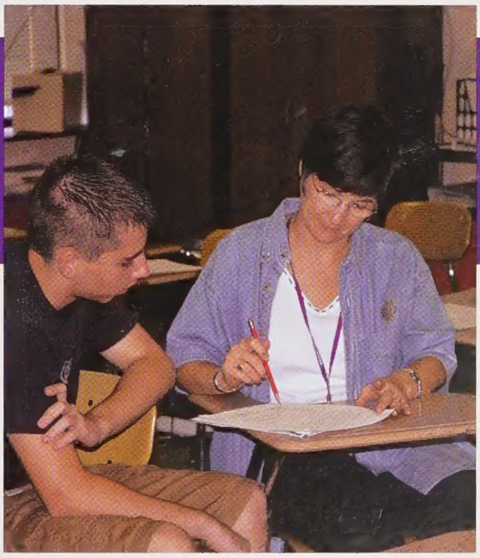


Name any student, and odds are he knows someone who knows someone who knows ... everyone. From the most popular senior to the newest transfer student, everyone is associated with everyone else, through classes, sports teams, clubs, and friendships. This web of association binds students together, forming connections that will never break.

Connections are made throughout all of the students high school experience. Whether the connections include making new friends, getting along with the teachers, or even taking the time to say hello to the principle and the other staff members, students make connections all the time. This is why students, teachers and other staff members believe that they are **becoming one school**.

The life of each student connects to that of every other person through the activities that they participated in and also the bonds that were formed. During the classes that were going on, students participated together in projects, labs, and other school activities. Students often work harder than usual to get their work done and make better grades. Teachers were impressed that the students were **expanding the boundaries**.



Ms. West helps Cody Rodgers with homework he was having problems with. Teachers put in extra time helping students. Photo by C. Stevens

Connections

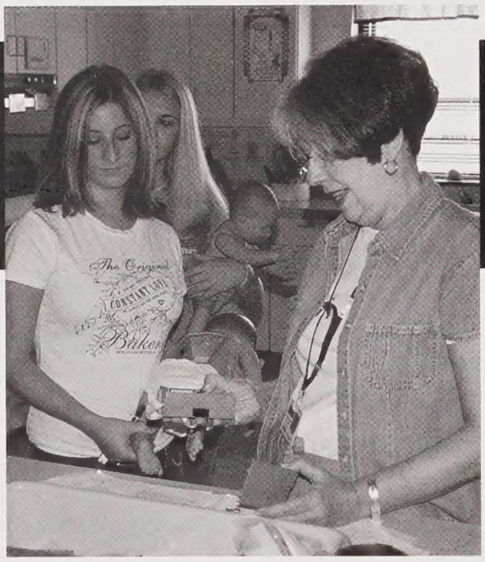
By Courtney Capps

Throughout the course of the year the differences between each individual seemed to almost vanish as they learned more and more about one another. Students made new bonds all through the year. If it wasn't other students, it was bonding with the teachers and the staff. Students often describe this as **spanning the gap**.

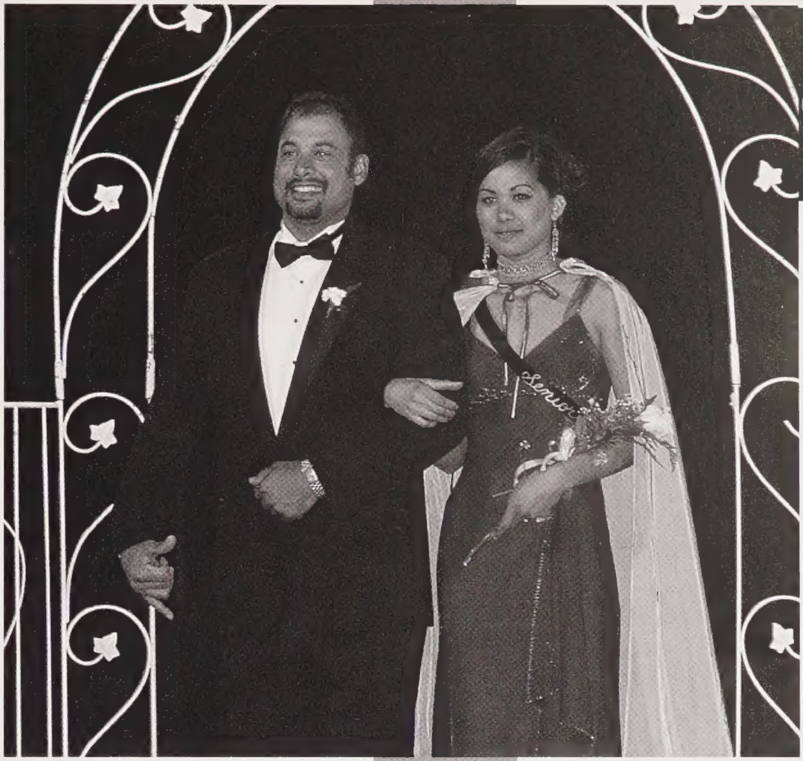
Students found ways to connect even when they were out of school. Students often like to hang out at the football games or soccer games. Sometimes students even got involved with the games that were going on. Whether students were being part of the game or just standing around watching the game they were still **making contact**.

Students often decided to make other connections and to make new friends by getting involved in club activities. While in the clubs the students had fun and enjoyed themselves. They connected with all the other club members and their adviors. Students enjoyed **forging new bonds**.

New bonds, new friendships, and a new attitude all helped connect everyone back at school once again.



Ms. Lancaster helps Megan Murray and Laura Laughter get their baby projects for parenting. They only have to keep the babies for a weekend. Photo by K. Hester.

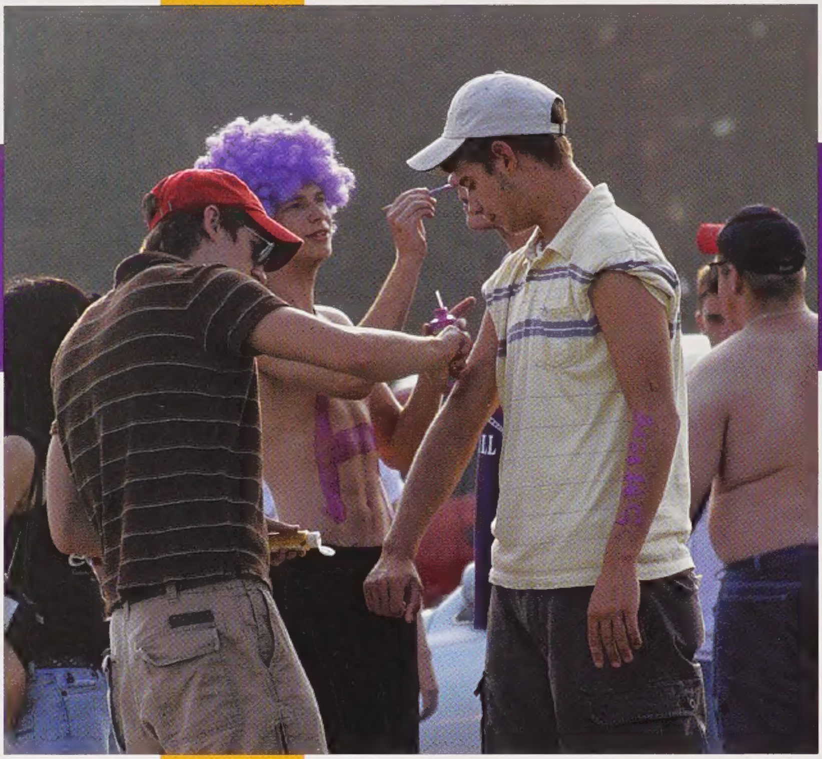


Bethany Garmon and her dad stand together at the homecoming game. Bethany was suprised to find out that she was nominated homecoming queen. Photo by B. Griffith.

Heather Lorenz tries to keep the ball in the air during a volleyball game. Megan Lynch watches to make sure that Heather has the ball. Photo by B. Griffith

Trey Nicholson, Michael Dowling, Wayne Nock, and Larry Crawford show just how much spirit they have. When the game begins they try to be the loudest people there. Photo by B. Griffith.

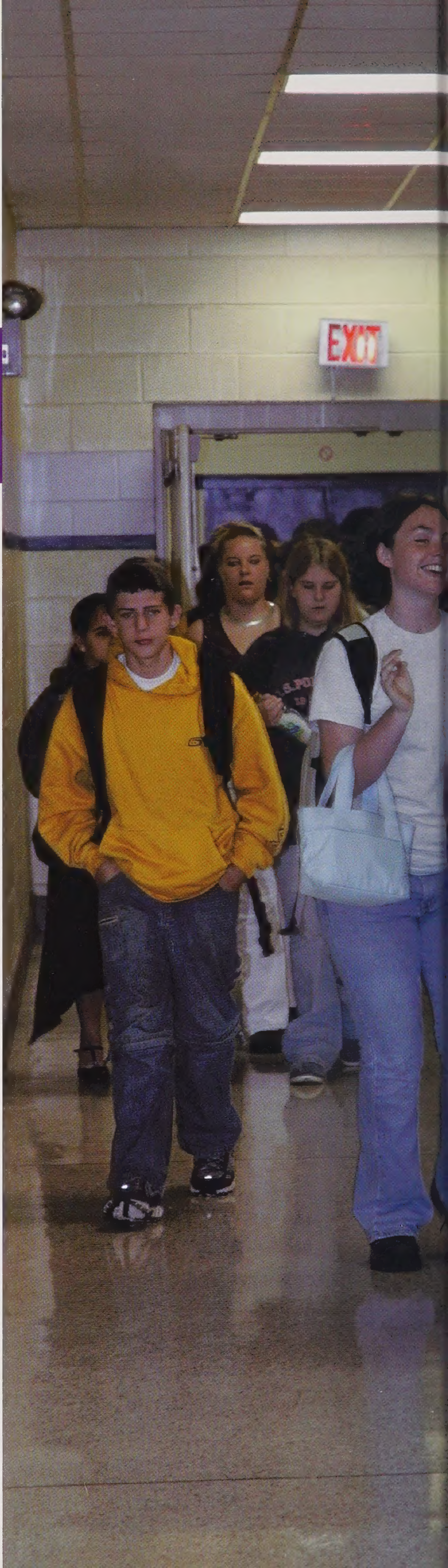
Before the first home football game, the "spirit gang" gets ready with paint and lots of purple. Andrew Beck, Jamie Justus and Brian Hyder were all trying to get ino the spirit for the game. Photo by J.Hester.



As the band lines up for the first football game. Jason Moffit and Michael Player take their places in attention pose. Photo by J. Hester.

Sara Flood and Ashley Staton lead the way wth Ashley Morgan and Shane Mayfield after being dissmissed from the commons. After the bell, most of the students make time to hang out in the hall ways with their friends. Photo by B. Griffith.

by Anahi Perez



Becoming one School

New friends, old friends, whatever the situation, students come together through shared events to become one school.

One of the most memorable events that most of the students attend is the Homecoming football game. At this event, students, alumi, and faculty members came together to show off purple and gold spirit and support the school.

Students helped each other when the flood destroyed so many things. In fact, the floods affected most students, leaving them without power or water, and even the food in many refrigerators rotted.

Students returned to a year of changes. The administration changed several times, from Mr. Credle to Ms. Friend, and from Dr. Hood to Mr. Watkins to another Assistant Principal.

From the yearbook slide show to the homeroom contests during spirit week, all of the events of the year drew students together. Through shared experiences, students connect by becoming one school.

During Spirit Week Brandon Duncan, sophomore and Alicia Stonecypher, freshman, both dressed up for farm day. Brandon dressed up as a cow and Alicia as a cow girl. This couple is very spirited. Photo by B. Grifftih.

Our past often defines our futures and impacts our lives forever.

Old SKOO LIVES

By Anahi Perez

Schools have evolved in many different ways, from dressing up to dressing down or a small class to a class of 30. According to Mrs. Merrell, guidance counselor, Mr. Figart, substitute, and Mr. Lewis, art teacher, things were different when they were in school.

One major change was in clothing. For students until the 1970's, dressing up was not out of the ordinary . In fact, students dressed up every day with a button down shirt and dress pants for the guys or for the girls, a skirt and blouse. "I remember when I had to wear pants under my skirt because it was very cold, and when I got to school I took the pants off " mentioned Ms. Holbert, exceptional students teacher.

Today's students don't have the same rules that their teachers faced. Mr. Figart agrees that "students are too free now". He also mentioned that he feels there is barely any dress code. As for outfits during 1964, many agree that dressing up in a polite manner helped, so there would not be any differences between students.

For example, when Mr. Lewis was a freshmen, J. H. Rose High School, his school, was integrated with African Americans. This change was uncomfortable for many students, black and white. As the years passed, the students adapted to the changes.

But even in "the dark ages," school was also about having fun and good music. Although there have been many favorites, some of the teachers agree on one band that hit it big: The Beatles.

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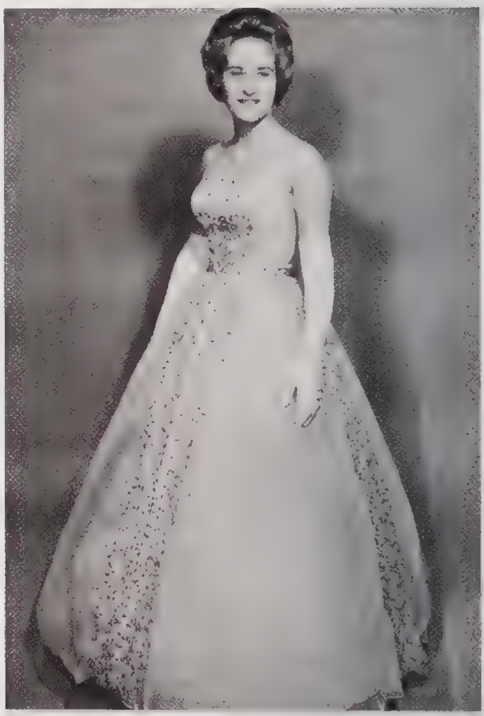
Today's students fight parents to be able to get a tattoo, a piercing, or the latest from Abercrombie. Back then, being in style was also a major issue. For example, Mr. Lewis revealed that he wanted to be a hippie but his father would not allow him to dress, act ,or be a hippie.

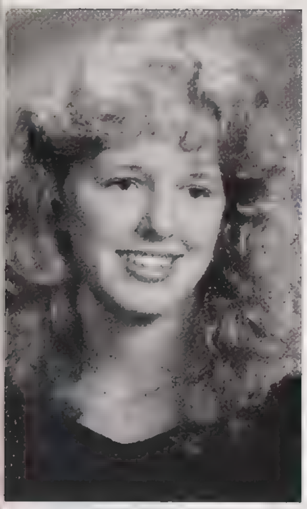
School has changed, but whether old skool or new skool, the similarities are there, too.

Ms. Nelson dresses up for Hippie day at Edneyville during her senior Spirit Week. Photo courtesy of Ms. Nelson.

On Ms. Edney's senior year she was elected to be the homecoming queen. She graduated in 1965. Photo courtesy of Ms. Edney



HOMECOMING QUEEN



Ms.Nelson smiles for her senior picture. She attended Edneyville High and was involved in Volleyball, Spanish Club, FCA, and was a member in the Honor Society. Photo Courtesy of Ms. Nelson.

Ms. Edney shows a great smile at her last year in Edneyville High. Ms. Edney was voted most popular. Photo courtesy of Ms. Edney

At East Henderson, Ms Whitted, Valadictorian, graduated in 1969. She was involved in many school activities.Photo courtesy of Ms. Whitted

Ms. Hull was a very busy student and was involved in many activities such as Newspaper, Class Officer, and was also an honor student. Photo courtesy of Mr. Figart.

Ms. Judy Merrell, guidance secretary, posed for a quick snap for her senior picture at East Henderson. She attended East Henderson High School. Photo courtesy of Mr.Figart

While Mr. Byrd played football he had a chance to smile for the camera. Mr. Byrd played football for six years. He palyed at East Flat Rock his jersey number was 25. Photo courtesy of Mr. Byrd.

Ms. Edney was crowned during the halftime of the football game. Ms Edney was very humble to be the homecoming queen. Photo courtesy of Ms. Edney.

Can I forget our first class!!

From Student to sub., Mr. Figart has always been an over achiever. Mr. Figart (the guy with the glasses) is sitting down in his seat during English class, asking many questions. Photo Courtesy of Mr. Figart.

Ken Weast

Age: 52

Favorite Restaurant: Barley's in Asheville

Favorite Food: Tomato Sandwich with Mayonnaise

Favorite Movie: The Shawshank Redemption

Favorite Hobbies: Hiking, Camping

What he remembers most about high school: his friends and theater.

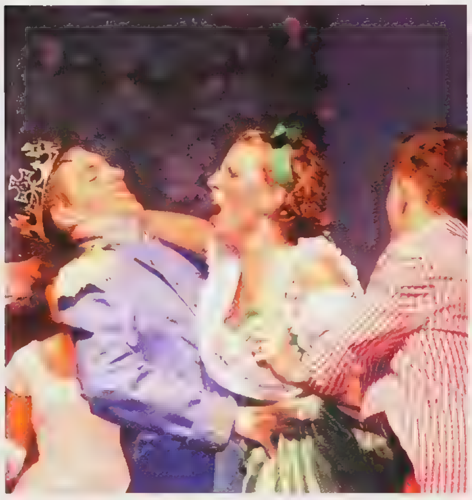
Brittney Stokes and James Foster take a musical number as the King and Queen. This was the last big production for graduate Brittney Stokes. Photo by Lifetouch.

Robby Zehrung, as the Herald, tries to force the shoe onto the foot of Joy, played by Heather Gregg. Photo by Lifetouch.

Bethany Hartshorn, Brittany Nix, and Heather Gregg as the wicked stepmother and two ugly stepsisters, plot against Cinderella. Photo by Lifetouch

The full cast come out to take a bow. In addition to students, the cast included local elementary school children, who played the mice. Photo by Lifetouch.

In the final scene of the play, Cinderella, played by Lindsey King , and her Prince are married. The ensemble cast sings "Do I Love You Because You're Beautiful." Photo by



Brittany Nix, as Portia is forcibly removed from Prince Charming. The stepsisters really enjoyed the outrageous acting their roles called for. Photo by Lifetouch.

Brittany Nix and Heather Gregg duke it out as the two ugly stepsisters. For them, being a part of the play was a really fun and exciting experience
Photo by Lifetouch

Dancers Alicen Hyder ,Jennifer Wolf and Amber Wilson take part in the ball scene. One of the challenges of a high school production is matching gender roles to available actors and actresses. Amy Lancaster is in the background, playing a male dancer. Photo by Lifetouch

Fairy-TALE LIFE

The Advanced theater class puts on Cinderella as the spring musical.

By Steven Hart and Courtney Capps

Being on stage is a whole new way of life for several of our fellow classmen. The musicals and plays are a creative and fun way, not only to display an actor's takents, but also to step into a completely new sort of reality, experience life from a different perspective, and also form some amazing and lasting friendships that lead to memories that will last a life time.

Last spring the Honors Theatre and Dance One classes teamed up to put on a fun-filled and heartfelt rendition of Rogers and Hammerstein's musical Cinderella.

Whether it be during class or after school these students spent countless hours building sets, painting backdrops, designing tee-shirts and posters with Art student Bethany Garmen, and rehearsing...lots and lots of rehearsing.

Putting on this show was not all fun and games. "There were some jealousy problems" quoted Junior Wayne Nock. There were several days that many in the frustrated and tired cast were ready just to call it quites and give up.Any time there are so many great and unique minds thrown together and told to work and get along there is bound to be a few difficulties.

What was really great, though, was everyone's ability to overcome all the difficulties and work as one, even when things weren't going exactly as planned.

The result was that everyone resolved any differences they may have had and the show went on as planned and did so spectacularly. The play was wonderfully performed and meant more to the cast than the approval of the crowd, put the applause were a much appreciated bonus. "There is nothing that makes an actor prouder" commented Senior Stephanie Mecall, "than knowing that their hard work showed through in the final result".

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Heather Buckner, 2004 graduate, pops in as the fairy godmother, to check on Cinderella. Heather was one of the members of the International Thespian Society. Photo by Lifetouch.

GOING NATIVE

by Carson Rhodes and George McKee

Looking at life from another country's perspective

What do you think of when you think of Spring Break? Beach, road, and class trips are some of the many things that students think about. For some students, the highlight of their spring break was just simply getting out of Hendersonville. In fact, two lucky groups of students got to leave the U.S.

"I was looking for a new experience," Junior Adam McCraw implied. Adam sure did as he traveled to Costa Rica with Ms. Schlueter and six other pupils to see life from a different perspective.

"I didn't get one bug bite for a week," Adam said, "I think everyone who went had a really great time. We got to dance to Disco music at a Costa Rican concert and play soccer against some very big Costa Rican men."

While the students who traveled to Costa Rica were enjoying there short flight, Mrs. West was on a flight with only two students that were on a voyage to Europe.

Haley Donaldson quoted, "Our flight was six hours long! It was ok though because once we got to Europe it was worth every minute of it."

The students that traveled on this trip lost a lot of sleep because of the time change and therefore were very wore out the next morning when they got up to visit landmarks and sights such as the Eiffel Tower, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, and the Mona Lisa.

"Not getting sleep didn't bother me as much as the very small shower, that was the only bad part about the trip. The showers were twice as small as the ones in the U.S." Donaldson said.

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Whether Students went to their buddy's house for a sleep over or to another country for a class trip all students got what they wanted, a whole week away from school without classes.

In Costa Rica, Amanda Studebaker plants a sapling as part of an effort to retain the natural forest growth. Photo courtesy of Ms. Schlueter.

Saddle Up! Ms. Schlueter prepares to go for a Costa Rican mule ride. Tourists used trips like this to get a close-up look at the country. Photo courtesy of Ms. Schlueter.

Goal! Trey Hope and friends gather on the beach for a little bit of Costa Rican fun. For many Hispanic countries, soccer is the fan equivalent of football here.

Haley Donaldson and Amy Sweezy smile in front of a European cathedral. Even the doors are covered in reliefs. Photo courtesy of Ms. West.

Thirsty? Haley Donaldson drinks from a public fountain in Rome, Italy. Imagine doing that in America! Photo courtesy of Ms. West.

Haley Donaldson

Age: 17

Favorite Restaurant: Carrabas

Favorite Food: Chocolate Cake

Favorite Movie: Pretty Woman

Hobbies: Volleyball, Softball

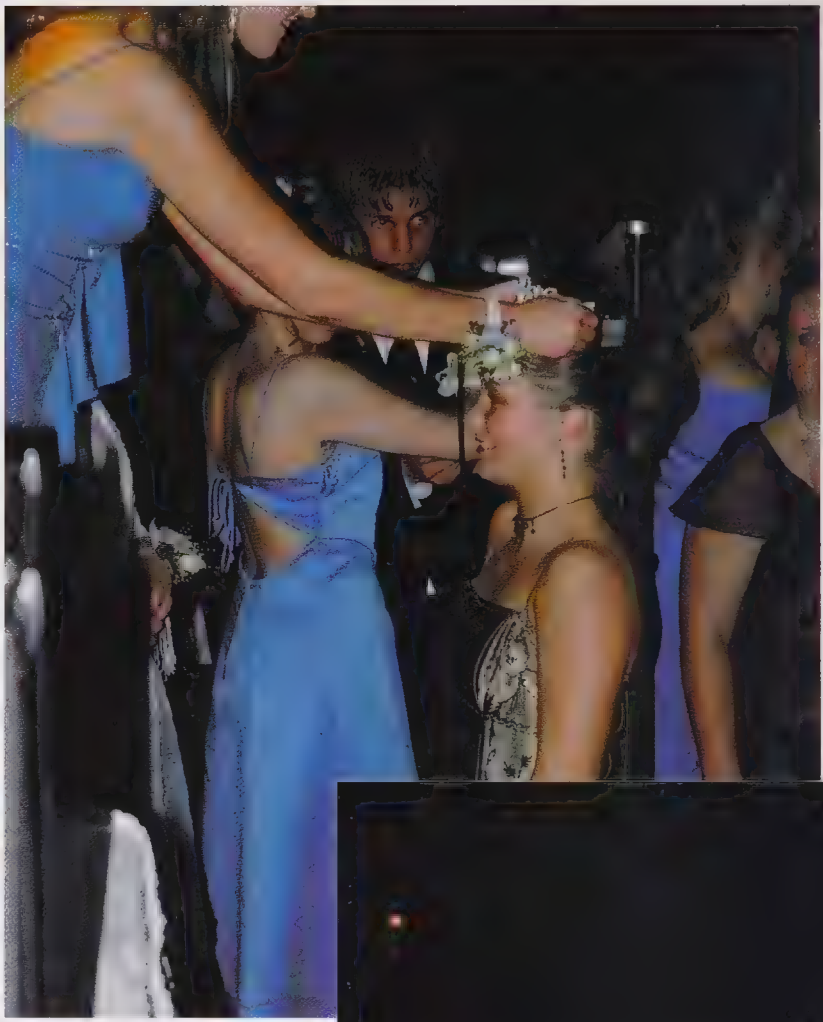
Furthest Place Visited: Italy

Favorite Subject: English

Best Thing about School: Friends

Matt Walters shows a huge smile as he is anxious that he has been crowned 2004 Prom King at his senior prom. Photo by F. Gore

Prom King, Matt Walters, and Prom Queen, Brianna Ward, hold their first dance together after being crowmed. Photo by F. Gore



The known " lovebirds" Samantha Wooten and Aaron Wilson made it through highschool. They hold each other closely in a slow dance. Photo by F. Gore

Watch them go! Allison Nock and Matthew Glover swing dance as the whole crowd watches. A slow dance gives Brittany Wilson and her date a break from the hip hop clutter. A "Booty Dance" shakes up the night for Jeovanny Perez and Karlie Justus. Brittney Stokes and her date also show their moves as they swing their way all over the floor.

Brianna Ward is excited to be crowned Prom Queen as she awaits a dance with her king. Photo by F. Gore

IN the SPOTLIGHT

By Naomi Mason and Lauren Cannon

"I personally had the time of my life!" said Holly Sizemore, senior. Prom of 2004 was a "shining" night that the juniors and seniors would remember forever. It was held at Grove Park Inn on May 7. Prom was something students experienced to remember a lifetime; so the Knights went all out.

"I enjoyed the whole experience, it was all fun."

Getting ready and preparing for their glamorous night seemed to be the girls most hassle. As they were cautious of their dresses, shoes, hair, and makeup, most of the boys just rented their tuxedos and found their dates. Not all the guys did though. Sam Darity, senior, had a harder time than most. He bought a baby blue tux, his shoes, undershirt, and a black hat. He also paid for his hair to get done with blue beads to match his suit. All in all, Sam spent about $400. He didn't have a favorite part of the prom, he quoted, "I enjoyed the whole experience, it was all fun." Sam enjoyed his junior prom and planned to go all out for his senior one too. He said, "It was better than what I expected even though I went solo. The setting was fit for the purpose." Most girls surveyed spent anywhere between $200 or more on everything. Senior, Leena Gifford said "It took about two and a half hours just to do my hair." So imagine how much time was consumed over doing everything else.

Brandon Coleman and Shannon Martin have a great time dancing the night away. Prom is a way for students to have a little fun and not think about school.

A lot of students enjoyed small keepsakes, such as keychains and pictures. There were also mints, but most of those didn't last long.

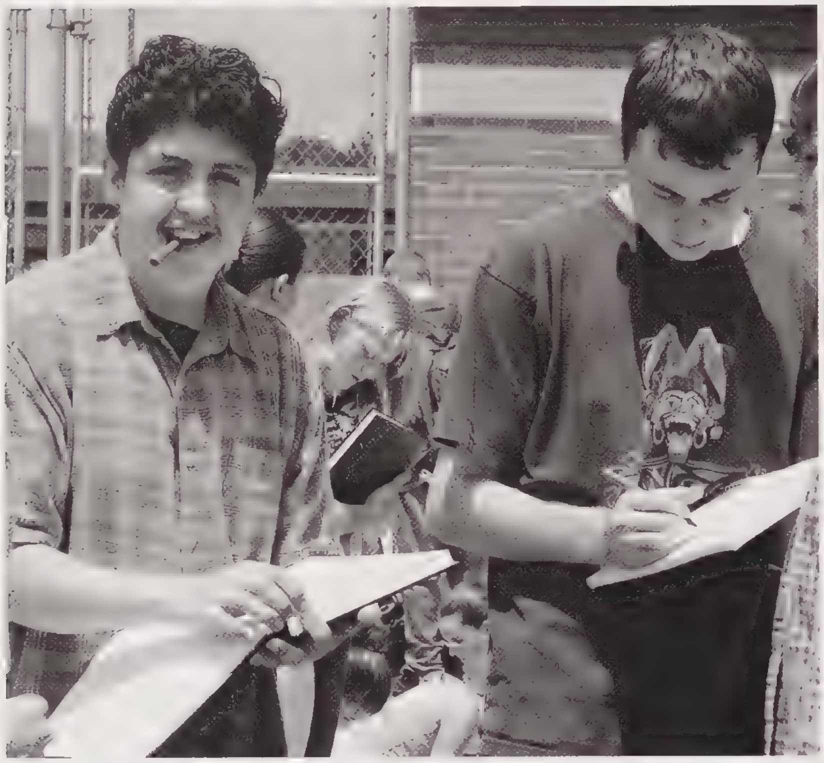
Senior, Justin Cauble, whom took senior, Mandy Shealy, says, "It wasn't as great as people said it was, but the location was nice." He spent $174 roughly on a tuxedo, but he and his friends also shared expenses in renting a limo.

The expenses and preparation for prom was more difficult than what met the eye. Ms. Mathis, english teacher, said, "It began when school began and I found I was in charge! We started meeting together-the junior officers and I- but they came up with most of the ideas, themselves!"

The prom was just a way for all the students to get together and appreciate and remember all their high school times and memories. This joyous night was wonderful for everybody in one way or another.

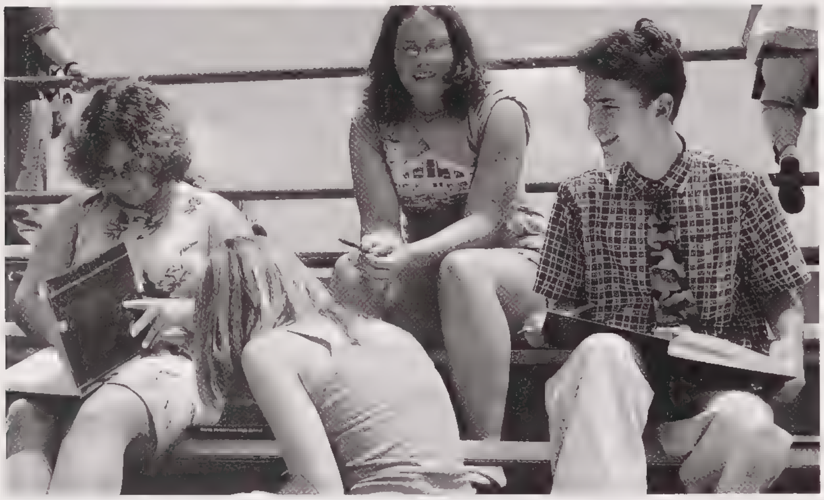
Cody Williams decides to take a nap in the bleachers while staying out of the hot sun. Students also enjoyed having free time at the end of the day. Photo by Mr. Gore.

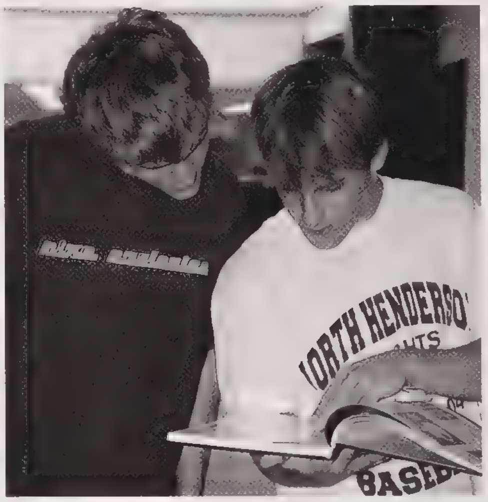
Antonio Ladezma and Eli Garven stand in the sun while siging each others annual. Since Antonio had his hand full, he had to carry the pen in his mouth. Photo by Mr. Gore



Ms. Whitted, Michael Player, and Cody Robertson sit in the bleachers with protection from the sun. They also were swapping each other's yearbook. Photo by B Griffith.

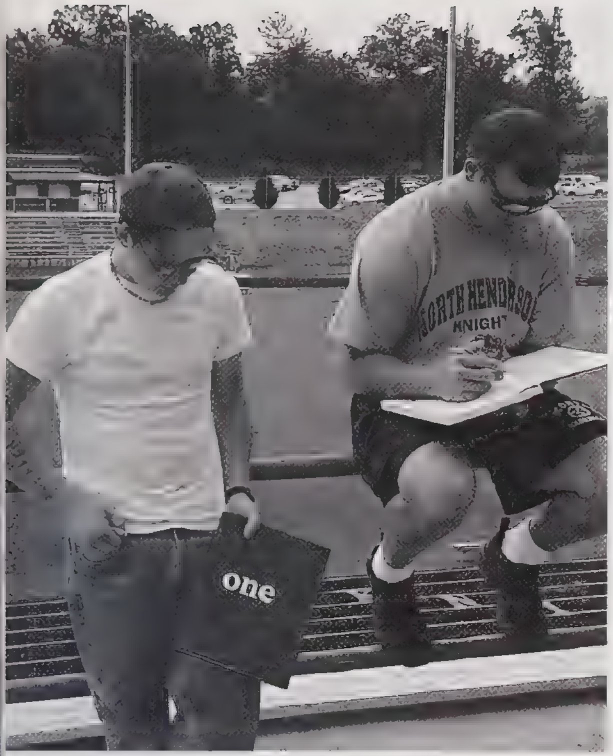
Spurgeon Stepp and Mr Manuel take turns exchanging good byes an reminiscing on the year that was finallly wrapping up. Photo by B. Griffith.





Stephanie McCall, Lena Huntley, Melody McDaniel, and Justin Shrader pass yearbooks to one another while roasting in the hot sunshine. Photo by Mr. Gore

Jake Pittillo and Ben Marlowe are hanging out in the commons while looking at the new annual. Ben wants to see how many times his picture shows up. Photo by Mr. Gore.



A group of 2004 graduates are sitting in the bleachers and passing the annual. The graduates were happy to see their fancy photo. Photo by Mr. Gore.

Take A LOOK AT THE BOOK

Annual Anticipation

By Billy Griffith and Kasi Dowdle

Yearbook day, the most awaited day of the year and possibly the most thought about event during the school year. Yearbook is all about getting to see what the Excalibur Staff has held back all year and seeing all of the memories that each student will cherish, or as freshman Gideon Firpi says, "I get to enjoy looking at the pictures and seeing all of the hot chicks".

For some students, the annual acts like a mirror, so they can look back in a few years and see what the best times of their lives were like. As junior Katie Baron said she buys a yearbook "so when I get old, I can remember high school life", or as Senior Brandon Coleman replied, "I can always hold the memories of what I was like in high school."

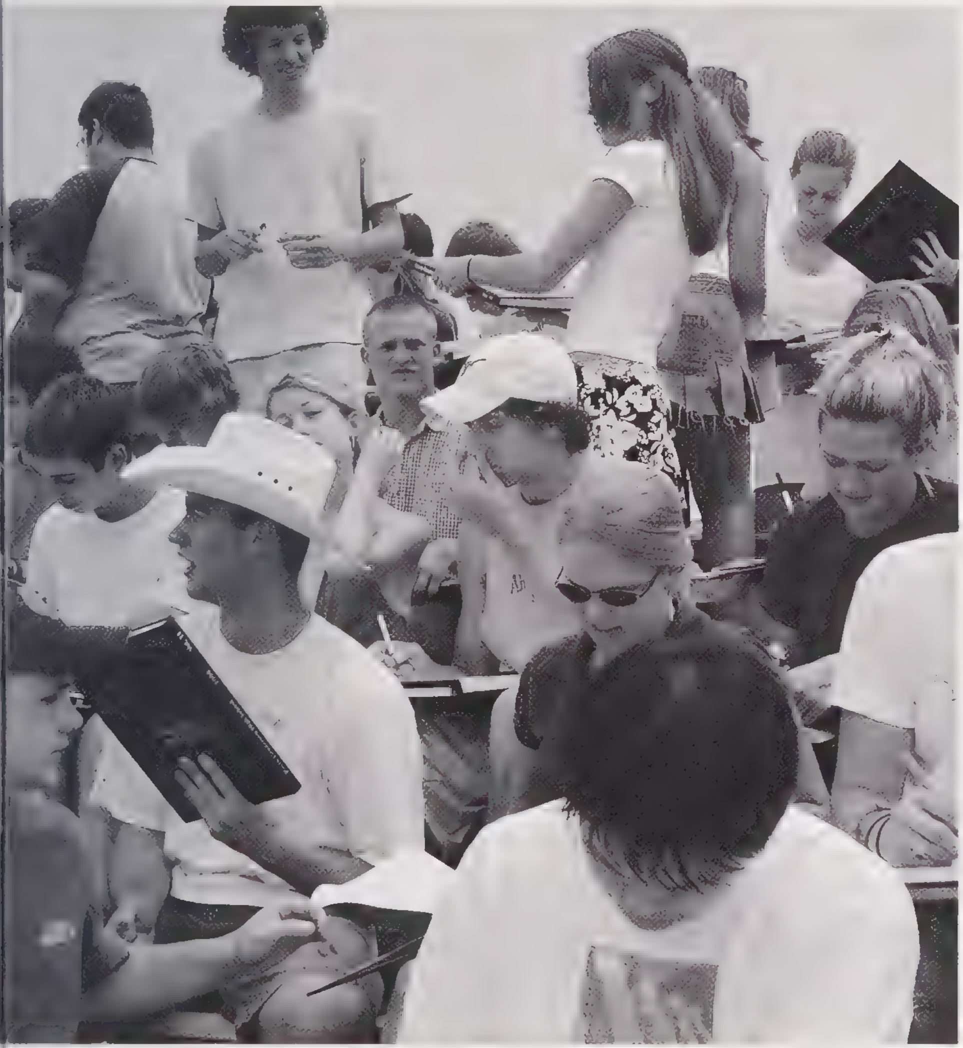
> "I get to enjoy looking at the pictures and seeing all of the hot chicks"

Once the books are distributed, each grade level gets to spend some time out of class and see the slide show that the Excalibur Staff created. They placed pictures of sports, academics and just students having fun to popular music. Each student gets this chance to sit back with friends in the auditorium and see that school year flashback in a matter of minutes.

After each student received their book, then the school schedule returns to a semi regular day until two o'clock. Then students are released into the hallways to flock to the football stadium. Each student is free to wonder around the home side of the stadium and gather with friends to sign each other's annuals.

Getting the yearbooks make students feel like the year has ended. As sophomore Ciara Newman said, "you get to see all of the random pictures that were taken, and flip through the yearbook to remember all the crazy times together". Brandon commented that the best part of the yearbook was "having people sign it, and being a senior".

From freshmen to seniors, everyone had a different opinion of what they thought yearbook day was about, from enjoying the spreads to the random and tacky pictures that were taken and placed in the yearbook.



GETTING THERE

Facing the Trials and Tribulations of Graduation

By Corey Willams

199 graduates…300 chairs…$2,500 cost…502 steps…several hundred spectators, and Mrs. Lancaster and Mr. Lewis to direct it all…the list went on but the most important aspect of graduation was the feeling seniors got when they heard the words, "I present to you your 2004 North Henderson High Graduates."

All the preparation for this huge event begins as early as the second week of August. All the preparing for graduation, it seems as though it will never get done, with all the sponsors to call, the gowns, flowers, getting students ready, and the important speeches that **everyone** will hear.

As the year went by, tons of work was done. The teachers scrambled and students got nervous about tripping or embarrassing relatives. The Junior Marshals, on the other hand, worried about the responsibilities they had. They had to make sure seniors were where they needed to be on time and in the seat they were assigned.

When June 2, 2004, arrived all the nervous students and faculty lined up with sweaty palms and nervous jitters. They slowly and carefully walked out of the school and towards the stadium. According to Mrs. Lancaster, "The best part is when you start walking towards the stadium knowing everyone is in order and all the hard work is done." All of them entered the gate and proceeded down the third row of stairs and took a right. Each individual student and faculty stepped on to the track and walked in front of several hundred people feeling each pair of eyes on them. All faculty and student were seated and the speeches began.

The time arrived for the Graduates to be called. As each person walked across the track taking their diploma and putting a candy necklace on the principal's arm, they took and left something at North Henderson, but they will never forget the feeling they felt as they heard, "I now present to you your 2004 North Henderson High Graduates."

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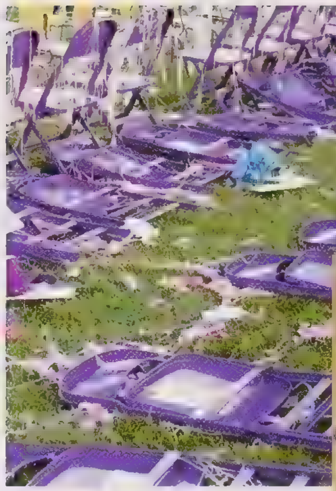


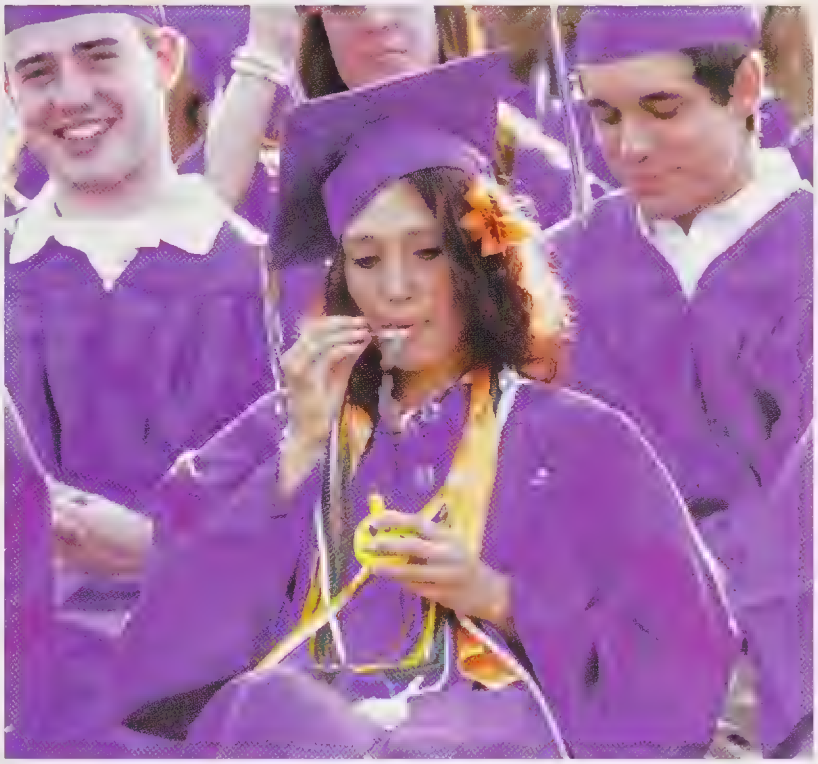
Who cleaned this up? The Junior Marshals and the faculty did. While the graduates and their familes left the Junior Marshals and the faculty stayed to clean up the mess. Photo by F. Gore

So much work to do! Mrs. Lancaster and Mr. Lewis are left to put this huge event together. Planning for graduation starts in the fall and doesn't end until the ceremony ends. Photo by. F. Gore

Everyone shows up for this huge event. Hundreds of people come from all over to see the graduates take their first steps into adulthood. Photo by F. Gore

A nervous Karlie Justus speaks at the ceremony with all eyes on her. Speeches gave the top people in the senior class a chance to share their views on the year. Photo by F. Gore

Celebration of bubbles! Amanda Houdek sits during the ceremony and takes a break to celebrate with bubbles. Photo by F. Gore



It's over, it's over, it's finally over! These were the words that were running through the minds of all the 2004 graduates. Photo by F. Gore

Ben Marlowe
Senior

Age: 18

Favorite Resturant: Applebee's

Favorite Food: lasagna

Favorite Movie: Varsity Blues

Hobbies: sports

What are the resposibilities of being a Junior Marshal? "Being a Junior Marshall is more of an accomplishment and a reward than a responsibility."

The Night NEVER ENDS

By Jessica Crocker and Erica Colecio

After all the “Pomp and Circumstance” is over, the party for seniors is just getting started. Project Graduation, an annual all-night event for seniors, gives them a chance to play games, win money and prizes, and say a final goodbye to high school.

Many long hours go into putting together such a spectacular event. According to Ms. Lancaster, “too many hours to count,” go into the planning process. The planning process begins the first month of school and continues, up until graduation day. “Everyone has a job to do,” responded Ms. Lancaster. It is easy to see how much work goes into putting together a successful Project Graduation.

Last year Project Graduation was “Awesome” said Heather Cornwell, a graduate from '04. “I enjoyed all of the games and had so much fun playing games.” With events like Karaoke, basketball, volleyball, games with your toes, and even a little racquet ball, seniors had a wide variety of activities to choose from.

> **" You're sure to have the best time of your life at Project Graduation."**

You're sure to have the best time of your High School career at Project Graduation, declared Ms. Lancaster. Heather also claimed,” Everyone wins something, and that should be incentive enough for everyone to go.” It is a good time to play some games against teachers and faculty for a chance to win some great prizes. There were tons of great prizes from cash to a television set or refrigerator to anything else you could needed for preparing for the “real world”, or college.

Not only was Project Graduation a time to play some awesome and weird games, it was a time to hang out with friends. “Project Graduation gave me a chance to hang out with all my friends and talk to those I didn't see very often throughout the year. It was a great time to catch up with those I might not see for a while,” said Seth Williams also a graduate from last year. So if students missed Project Graduation then they missed out on something really amazing and fun, it was a night that seniors will never forget.

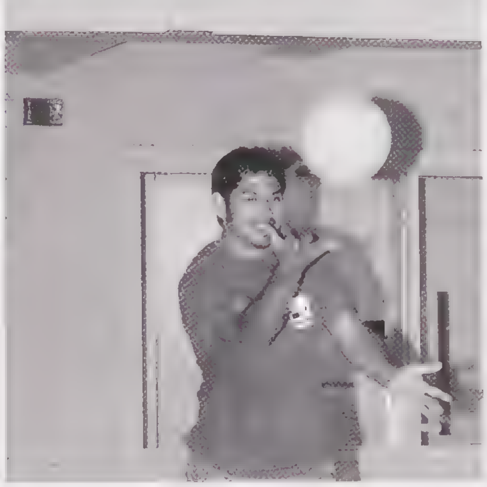
So, as seniors walked off the stage, nervous and scared, they took comfort, in the fact that for one night they got to leave all the stress of college applications or entering the real world behind, for they had Project Graduation to attend.

J.B. Rhodes shows off some musical talent at last years Project Graduation. J.B. sung Family Tradition by Hank Williams Junior. Photo by F. Gore.

Meredith Swain and Mallory Bennett work hard competing in the toe talents competition. Photo by F. Gore

How low can you go? Allison Nock shows off her strength in the libo competition. Photo by F. Gore

Just hanging out, Holly Rhodes, Ashley Hawthorn and Erica Corn enjoy taking time being together at Project Graduation! Photo by F. Gore



Not what you think...Nick Trepkowski and Chris Beach are actually participating in the "Passing the Lifesaver" contest.Photo by F. Gore

Having some Fun, Javier Acosta had a great time playing some volleyball at last years Project Graduation! Photo by F. Gore

Almost there...Running out of air Anne Wilson tries to finish blowing up the balloon. Photo by F. Gore

GOLD and PURPLE

PU-KNIGHT

by Austin Tiller
and Corey
Williams

The banners hung high, the band marched through the halls, and signs of spirit were all over the school....The Knights prepared to battle the Mitchell Mountaineers and the students prepared to cheer them on.

Some of the most spirited people were the CHEERLEADERS! They had a talent for getting students excited at the pep-rallies and the games. "My favorite thing to do as a cheerleader is to get people hyped up for the game," said varsity cheerleader Jennifer Wolfe, who was also a sophomore.

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Students used spirit week as a time to show how spirited they are and to have fun. It was a time to goof off and act crazy because you couldn't get in trouble for it. Some people just liked spirit week because they wanted to wear their hats. Whatever the reason, students thought it was fun and the students loved it.

There were five days of Spirit Week and that meant five different crazy ways to dress up. Monday was college day; everyone supported their favorite teams. Tuesday was Mardi Gras Day, which was the Spirit Week theme. Wednesday looked like a military camp, with Camouflage Day. Thursday everyone dressed up in their boots and overalls for farm day, which was followed by SPIRIT Day on Friday. Dressing up everyday was important to gain points for your homeroom to win the competition of which homeroom dressed up the most.

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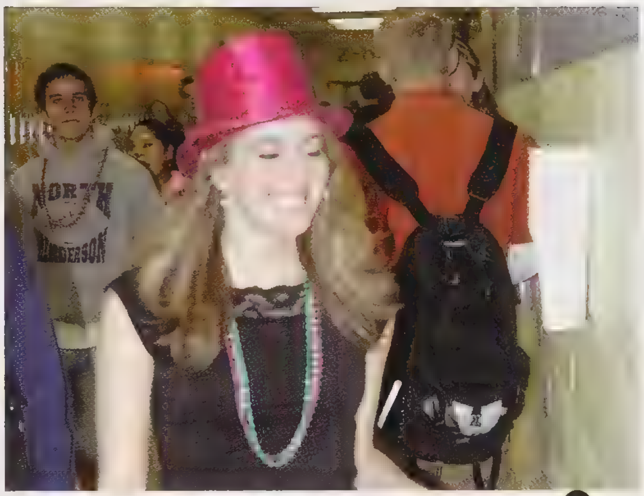
Rock N' Roll with Mr. Burch! Mr. Burch participates in the faculty band at the peprally that took place on Friday.
Photo by B. Griffith

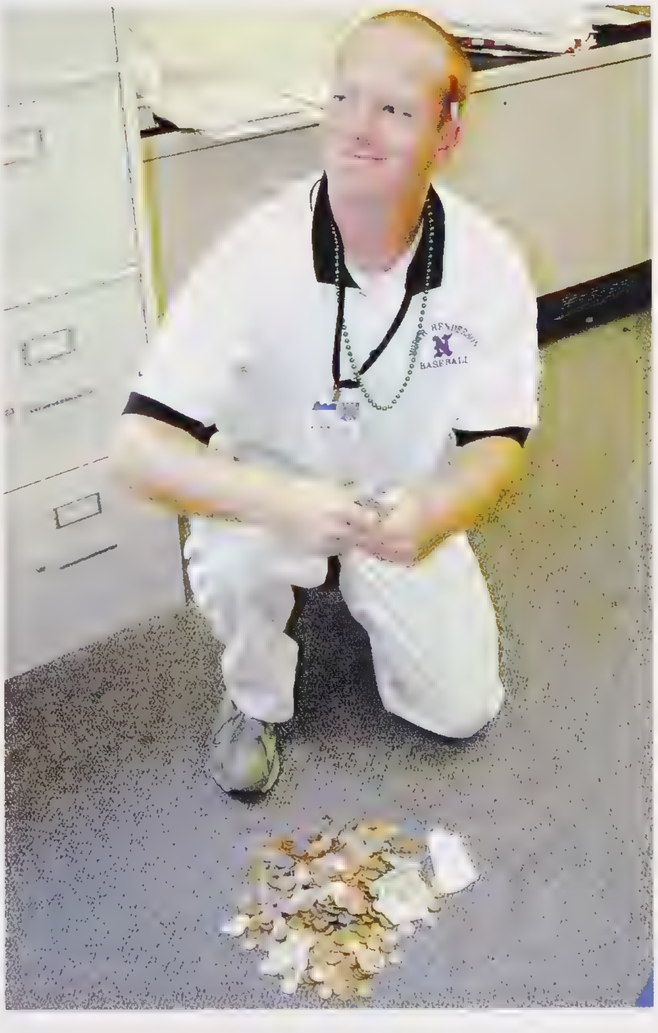
Monday October 15 was **College Day**. Marche Duckett shows support for her favorite team. Marche is a senior this year and that's why she shows lots of spirit. Photo by B. Griffith

Tuesday October 16 was **Mardi Gras Day**. Lena Huntley shows her spirit. Many students enjoyed this day because they got to dress crazy. Photo by B. Griffith



Spirit! Freshmen show their spirit for North! The cheerleaders had a competition between all the classes and the juniors won.Photo by B. Griffith

I'm going to win! Coach Frady counts his money during the battle for number one homeroom between him and Mr. Coren. Photo by B. Griffith



Football players are dancing! The Dance team leads the football team in a little dance routine on Friday During the peprally. Photo by B. Griffith

TO Show NORTH SPIRIT

A hectic yet exilerating week of spirit.

by Corey Williams and Austin Tiller

Although Spirit Week was a lot of fun it can also be hectic for the faculty because all the crazy students were hyped up with spirit for the wild week of fun. All the excitement can affect the way students performed in the classroom and this stressed teachers out. Some teachers used spirit week to their advantage as a time to take an easy week. "No Spirit Week was not hectic, because we used my class period to design the spirit banner and every student had a chance to add on to it I," explains Ms. Peace

When thinking of spirit week not many people thought of the band, but that all changed, when band members marched down the halls after each period, playing a drum cadence. The band played intense songs for everyone to hear throughout the halls. This made many people feel inspired about pulling out a win on Friday.

Sports connect from year to year and so does the spirit that comes with having school sports teams. Having sports gave students something exciting to do and talk about. We go to the games on Fridays to support our team. Spirit week is a week when we showed spirit the whole week and then came together and gave our team inspiration and support.

Spirit week was a fun time for everyone who dressed up or just wore a hat to school. We all shared a common goal and that was to show spirit and to support the team so they could pull out a win.

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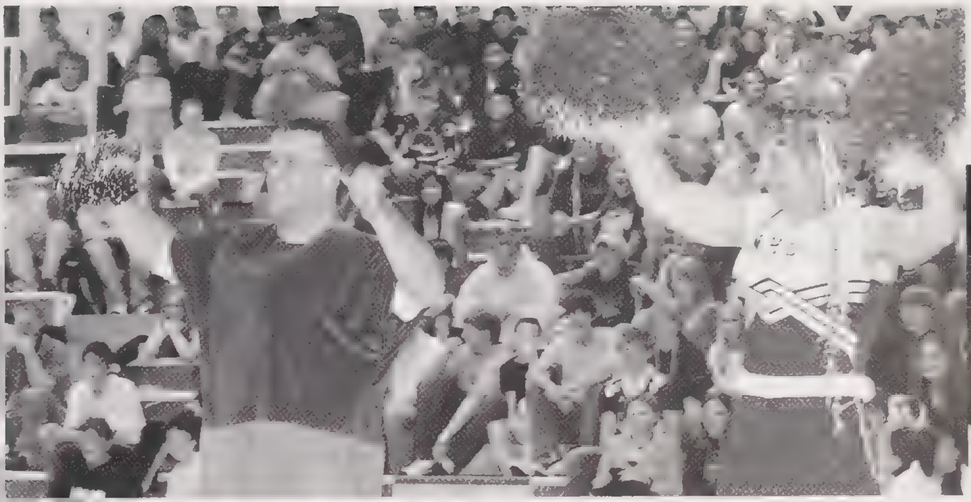
Wednesday October 17 it's hard to see anyone because they're wearing camo. Amy Sweezy, Andrew Andreotta, Zach Brown, and Justin Lamb converse before class. Photo by B. Griffith

Thursday October 18 Brandon Ward rides his tractor to school for farm day. Brandon, junior, uses his tractor to bale hay for the cows that his family raises. Photo by B. Griffith

Ryan Hoots and Nick Walker march through the halls after every period. The band played the drums to pump up the school for the peprally to come. Photo by B. Griffith

"We've got spirit, yes we do, we've got spirit, how about you!" Mr. Rice and Mr. Edney show some school spirit with a cheer. Photo by B. Griffith



Show spirit by banners! During spirit week clubs competed on who could make the best banner. Jay Pryor and Stephanie Fyle hold up FBLA's banner. Photo by B. Griffith

Friday Ocotber 19, Tara Case, senior, shows how spirited she is by painting her face and wearing large amounts of purple. Photo by B. Griffith

Keep it up. Zach Brown and Ben Marlowe celebrate after a good play. The two seniors played together for four years, and are very good friends. Photo by B. Griffith

Woo Hoo! Megan Lynch goes for a ride around the track. Megan was also a member of the Senior's court. Photo by B. Griffith

MARDI GRAS STYLE

Who Will Reign Over North For 2004?

By Carson Rhodes and Sean Owen

The Queens unite! Heather Buckner, Queen of 2003, and Bethany Garmen, Queen of 2004, stand under the arch for a quick shot. Photo by B. Griffith

And the 2004 Homecoming Queen is...

"Bethany Garmon!"

"I was very shocked," Bethany said, "I will always remember feeling the honor of being chosen and being able to share time with the great group of girls and my family."

The crown and the roses were carried by the Knight mascot, and last years Homecoming Queen, Heather Buckner, was there for the crowning.

Earlier in the beautiful October afternoon, Senior Chris Justus was crowned the 2004 Homecoming King.

"I was very surprised, but I was at the same time excited and honored to have been chosen because there were so many other great competitors and friends of mine that were on the court," Chris replied.

After the crowning of the King and the pep rally, everyone dressed in their purple and gold to cheer on the Knights as they faced the Mitchell Mountaineers. The Homecoming court went all out to represent North well with their suits and gowns.

"My cape like scarf was forty dollars and I already had my dress, so I didn't have to spend to much on my clothing." The Queen said.

"I got my dress for forty dollars on discount, which was a good deal." Sophomore court member Josalyn Batemon said.

Josalyn also added, "I don't know if I will be chosen next year, but it was a lot of fun, and my parents were very proud, so I would love to do it again."

> **"I will always remember feeling the honor of being chosen."**

In the game, the Knights made a valiant effort but came up just short, losing the game 24- 33. The Knights were down 33- 0, but with five minutes left in the game the team made a excellent comeback, scoring three touchdowns followed by conversions, but they did not manage to get the 9 more points they needed to pull out the win.

In the end, the knights one and all trudged over to the dance floor in the lunch room, afterwards, where they danced away the night that would always be remembered.

2004 Girls' Court: Jessica Stewart, Aubrey Day, Annie Waddell, Ashley Brooks, Megan Lynch, Brittany Storm, Bethany Garmon, Vanessa Davis, Hillary Corn, Josalyn Batemon, Jordan Griffin

2004 Guys' Court: Trevor Williams, Ben Moss, Wayne Nock, Caanan Cox, Josh Goldstein, Sam Darity, Larry Crawford, Trey Hope, D.T. Studebaker, Chris Justus, Nick Walker

Someday? Sophomore Josalyn Batemon is escorted by Jordan Garmen. She was a member of the Sophomore court this year. Photo by B. Griffith

Make way for the King! Chris Justus, King of 2004, enters with his escort Brittany Storm. These two have been good friends throughout High School. Photo by B. Griffith

"I was very excited, I had fun being on the court again. It was a great honor."
~Aubrey Day~

"Being a Freshmen it was a great, new experience to be an escort for my friend Jordan."
~Kendall Edwards~

"I was very shocked. It was a great honor to be one of the two freshmen chosen to represent our class. I also had a great time at the dance."
~Jordan Griffin~

The CHANGE OF THE GUARD

By Brooke Powers and Tara Ward

When students received their schedules for 2005, some needed to make changes. Everything seemed normal when they came in to make changes: they saw Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Edney, and Dr. Hood. So when it was announced on August 6th 2004, that Mrs. Anderson would no longer be North's principal, everyone was shocked. Mrs. Anderson, cited "personal reasons" for her resignation. So who else would step in on such short notice? The answer was Dr. Allen Credle he would be North Henderson's Interim Principal. Mr. Credle would only fill the position until a permanent principal could be hired.

On August 31, 2004 Ms. Rebecca Friend was announced as our new principal. Ms. Friend, who previously worked as an assistant principal at Crest High School in Cleveland County, said that she was "extremely nervous and excited," when she found out that she had received the job. Our new principal had one quality that many teachers were overwhelmed to see; she was our first principal to speak Spanish, something many of the teachers had requested. One of the first things on Ms. Friend's to-do-list included "Empowering the teachers," which will give them, "more ability to teach and to discipline in the classroom."

She graduated from North Gaston High School in Gaston County, and as an undergraduate she attended Wake Forest University. Ms. Friend was interested in becoming a principal because she "was interested in more than what was happening in the classroom." Now that she is here, she says that she would consider slowing down to be the hardest task of being a principal, "it's very easy to have a lot going on and not to give everything the attention it deserves."

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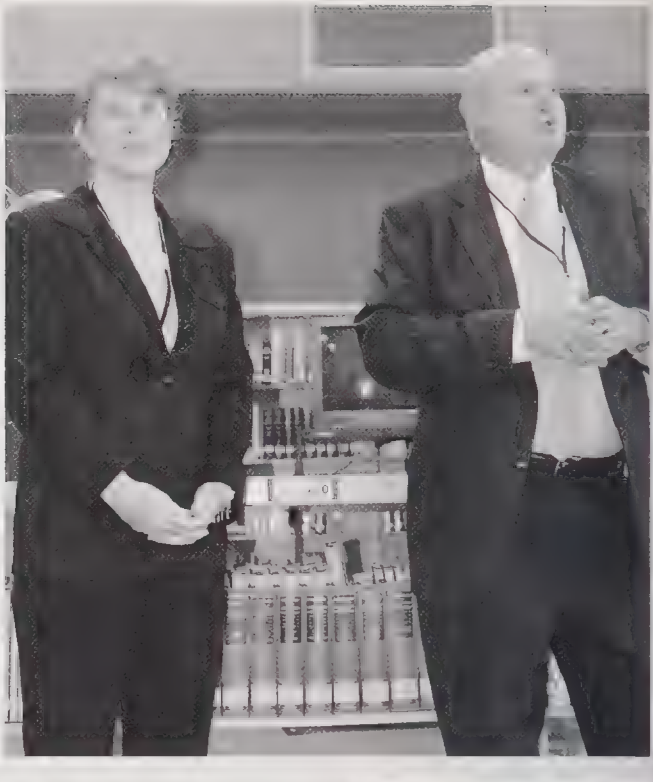
When she isn't busy with her duties as principal, she enjoys just hanging out with her two dogs. She has a Springer Spaniel, and a giant Golden Labrador, who she says "would make an excellent mascot for North." His coat is golden and he always wears his big purple collar.

So what is in store for the 2004-2005 school year? Ms. Friend expects North to be the flagstaff school of the county." She also says we'll get up to code on the basics, "such as being on time to class." So as we make the transition to good to great, we feel confident that under the direction of our new principal, Ms. Friend, we'll go in the right direction.



Dr. Stephen Page, Superintendent, introduces Ms. Friend as the new principal. The 2004-2005 school was Dr. Pages first year also. Photo courtesy of B. Griffith.

Ms. Friend addresses issues related to North during her first faculty meeting as principal. Ms. Friend, who speaks spanish, was a great addition to the staff. Photo coutesy of B. Griffith.

Ms. Friend watches the Volleyball game through the gym doors. Ms. Friend comes to many sporting events. Photo courtesy of B. Griffith

Ms. Friend talks with Mrs. Beckett and Mrs. West at the faculty meeting. Ms. Friend wasted no time getting to know the teachers. Photo courtesy of B. Griffith

Ms. Friend and Mr. Allen talk while selling tickets to the Volleyball game. Ms. Friend and Mr. Allen work closely to make the school a safe place. Photo courtesy of B. Griffith

Mr. Frank Edney

Age: 41

Height: 6ft

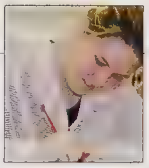
Fav. Color: Purple and Black

Fav. Food: Ribs and Spaghetti

What do you think about all the changes that are taking place at North: "It will be nice to have some stability for faculty and students, so we'll all know what direction we are heading in and I believe Mrs. Friend will give us the direction to provide that stability."

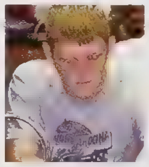
A fallen Pine Tree slams into a garage door. Just twenty four hours after this tree fell, the rest of the tree fell also, causing more debris and more problems. Photo courtesy of Brooke Powers.

Drivers cautiously go over an almost submerged bridge on Erkwood. Some drivers risked crossing barriers to drive through high water. Photo courtesy of Brooke Powers.



"I thought the flood was sad. A bunch of people died & some people didn't have houses."
-Lena Moore

"Nothing happened to my house. The flood was kind of annoying because we lost a couple of days of school that we should have had off."
-Scott Lindsay



"I thought the flood was very interesting. It was the first major flood I'd ever seen. I had an advantage of living on a hill so my house didn't get any damage. I feel bad for the people whose homes were damaged!"
-Lauren Stave

A broken tree lands on a power line and barely misses a light pole at the Hendersonville Country Club. Photo by Brooke Powers.

A large tree snaps off at its core. During Hurricane Ivan, as a result of high wind, downed trees were a bigger problem than flooding. Photo courtesy of Brooke Powers.

And The Rain CAME DOWN

by Brooke Powers

On September 7th, 2004 the rain started falling and by September 8th enough rain had fallen that school was cancelled.

A power line on Kanuga Road. Because of so many downed lines, residents were left without power for days while crews worked hard to restore power. Photo Courtesy of Brooke Powers

Approximately 15 inches of rain fell as a result of Hurricane Frances pounding Western North Carolina. Students were out of school for two days waiting for the floodwaters to subside. While Four Seasons Boulevard was barely a foot from being submerged, other locations around the county weren't so lucky. Many bridges were also underwater, and Spartanburg Highway was impassable.

Mr. Gatti's, a popular pizza restaurant , was prepared for the worst, since the creek behind the restaurant was likely to flood. Junior Marissa Zepeta, who works there left work to go home early, only to find that going home wasn't going to be easy. "I was going down Howard Gap, the way I usually go home. I didn't think it would be closed already, but it was and I had to find another way home."

Hurricane Frances even forced All Creatures Great and Small to evacuate the animals from their shelter on 7th Avenue to the evacuated prison on Stoney Mountain Road. Workers rescued animals from the shelter and even resorted to boats to rescue the animals. Seven dogs and one cat lost their lives in the move from the shelter to the prison.

Residents woke to find trees down, flood waters surrounding their homes, and no power

Hurricane Frances proved to test the whole community. Little did they know the worst was yet to come…

Just six days after they returned to school, the rain started falling again. Hurricane Ivan trampled through Florida and made its way to Western North Carolina. By 5 p.m. Thursday, school had already been cancelled for Friday as Henderson County residents prepared for a second round of bad weather. By late Thursday the winds picked up and rain poured. Around 2:00 a.m Friday, Henderson County was declared a disaster area. Residents woke Friday morning to find trees down, flood waters surrounding their homes, and no power.

Despite warnings to stay at home, most people in fact did get out. Some people just drove around to survey the damage while others set out to get things they needed such as food, water, batteries and other items.

Many residents went as many as five days without power. Sophomore Connie Sinclair, "I live in Gerton and we were out of power for five days. I was glad we had water though!" While few residents were so lucky as to not to lose power at all, some did only lose power for around 8 hours on Saturday.

Six days after the return to school they had yet another threat of bad weather. Hurricane Jeanne was forecasted to bring rain and winds back to Hendersonville. Forecasters predicted our area could receive four inches of rain before flooding would return. Jeanne dumped 3.5 inches of rain, which caused no major flooding. Residents came out relieved and thankful, fully aware of how much damage hurricanes can to do the mountains.

Three foreign exchange students spent 56 hours traveling to come to the United States.

3 FOREIGN GUESTS

By: Anahi Perez

Three foreign exchange students from all over the world shared hall space and memories.

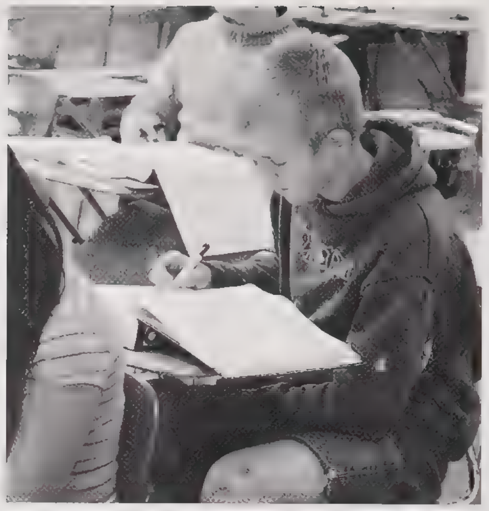
Maki Maeda, Senior, from Isshiki, Japan, mentioned the biggest change between Japan and the US was freedom. "I have lots of freedom here, like communicating with a hug. In Japan we don't do that, only boyfriends and girlfriends do," added Maki. Not many people in Japan communicate physically; they just wave or simply shake each others hand. Alex Vonlautz, junior, from Hamburg, Germany, said "people here are more open, and friendlier; everyone says hi."

Although Alex is used to the schedule here, said it was very different from the schedule in Hamburg. They have 6 lessons in one day; the classes are 45 minutes long, and they have different lessons every day. On a normal day, classes begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 1:30 p.m. Peter Simko, Junior, from Slovakia, said his schedule was similar to Alex's. In Japan, Maki's Schedule was different everyday. On a typical Monday or Wednesday, she would have seven classes, 8:40-3:40pm. On the other days, she has six classes 8:40-3:40pm. Her tests are usually after school. These test are basically practice tests for what we call EOCs. In Japan, the teachers also tutor students who want more practice for the EOCs.

> "Just the feeling that you can't go anywhere with out a car is bad."

When Maki was asked how her town was, she responded "Isshiki has no buildings and has many rice plantations." Alex's town is very different from Hendersonville; Hamburg "has about 2 million people; it has old buildings and ports where ships come onto shore" added Alex. Peter, who was used to riding the bus or taking a bike everywhere, said that he wasn't used to Hendersonville transportation. "Just the feeling that you can't go anywhere without a car is bad," Peter added.

Even though many changes occured, the three guest were able to connect with the other students.



Peter Simko, from Slovakia, takes notes in class. The foreign exchange students thought classes at North were easier and more laid back than classes at home. Photo by B. Griffith

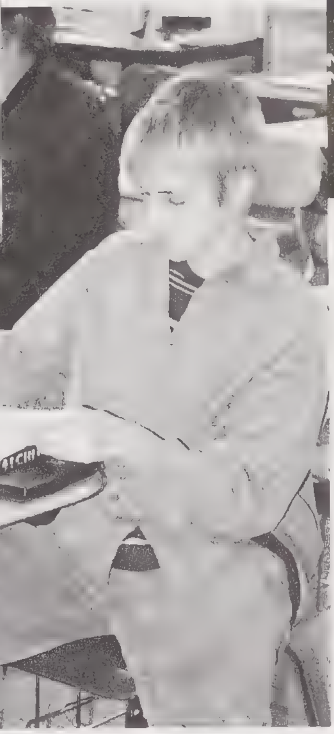
On a Saturday Alex has the time to go with his friends and get an ice cream in his home town.Photo Coutesy of Alex von Lautz.

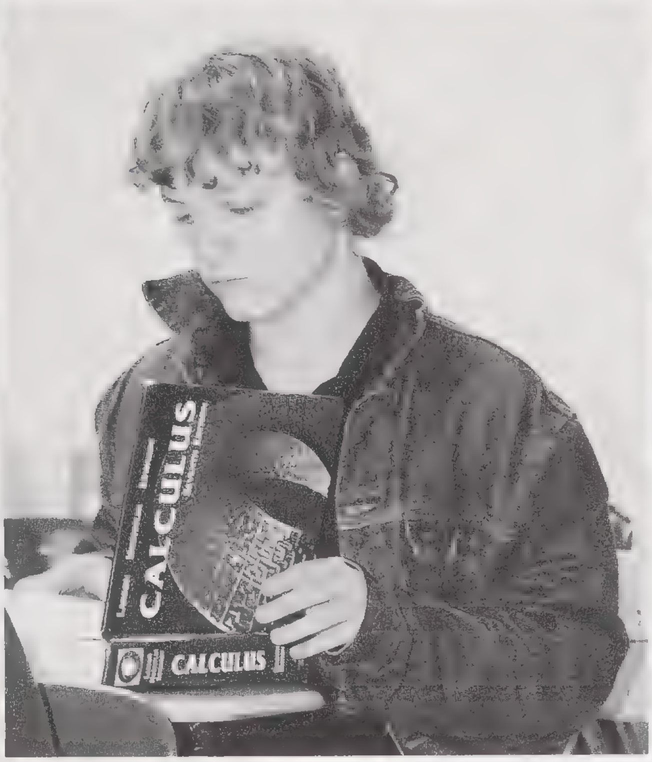
Maki Maeda (bottom right) and her friends demonstrate a form of saying hello. In Maki's school, uniforms are obligatory. Photo courtesy of Maki Maeda.

Alex is a very active student in school. In November he was invited to a Turkey and Tamales dinner sponsored by the spanish club, Alex went and tried all the food. Photo by B. Griffith.

Maki Maeda is in Ms. Nelsons english class during second period. Maki is asenior this year. Photo by B. Griffith

Peter looks over his homework in Ms.Whitted's calculus class. Peter is also on the basketball team. Photo by B. Griffith





But school isn't all fun and games. Alex is taking calculus his junior year; most students take calculus their senior year. Photo by B. Griffith.

During the first home football game, Maki gets pumped up to wear purple She attended several home games with her new friends. Photo by B. Griffith

Bailey Brow and Jake Willingham battle it out on the court in a little game of 1 on 1. Bailey and Jake share a great amount of competitiveness.
Photo by B. Griffith

Courtney Barnwell and Chris VanLandingham talk back to each other while watching a soccer game. Both are freshmen and very competitive. Photo by B. Gfiffith

Leah Cagle
Sophomore

Age: 16

Favorite resturant: Red Lobster

Favorite Food: Mahi Mahi

Favorite Movie: Never Been Kissed

Hobbies: Church, Youth Group, volleyball

What she thinks: It's fun to be competitive, but girls and boys are really just equal!

Andrew Andreotta: "Take it easy, you don't want to embarass the girls."
Laura Gray: "Guys brains are in their biceps, girls actually know what their brains are for. Photo by B. Griffith

Gender AMES

How students handle the battle of the sexes

By Corey Williams

Pull! There may be competitiveness between girls and boys but when they want to win they come together and try to pull out a win.
Photo by B. Griffith

"Girls can do anything boys can do--better. Girls can do anything better than boys." The old song may or may not be right, but it does illustrate one issue that never changes: the on-going competition that arises between males and females, both of whom think they can win.

Between girls and boys there has always been a great competitiveness. Stephanie McCall, a Senior, has a tip for the guys, "The lady will *always* be right!" Even though Stephanie exhibits a lot of competitiveness she also has said that the "battle of the sexes is mainly a source of entertainment. The next person will most likely have something funnier to say!"

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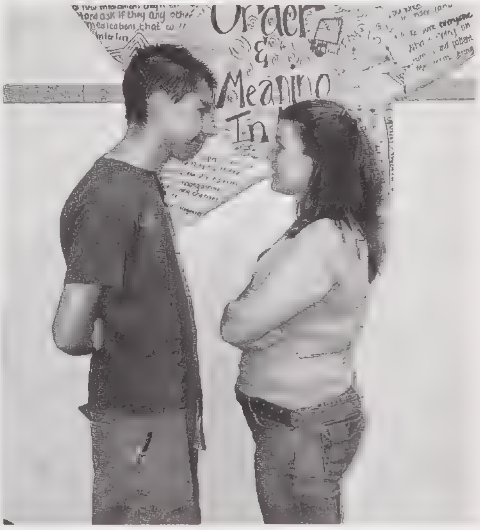
Whether you are competitive or not, there are some things girls just happen to be better at and other things where guys naturally overcome the girls. There are things that just are and nothing can change it. The battle of the sexes is mainly just something fun to do; it is not always serious. Sometime girls and guys come together so that they may win a certain something, such as a simple basketball game or a card game.

Think about people who are married or "going out;" they are competitive, yet they each know they admire one another. "There is really no competition when it comes to the battle of the sexes, it is basically comes down to flirting or just something to talk about," says Jared Harris, a sophomore. The battle of the sexes has hidden incentives. Some people are just naturally competitive when it comes down to a battle between a team or in this case the opposite sex.

The battle of the sexes can be brutal, but when you get to the bottom of it, there is only entertainment, flirting, or just something to talk about. So, whether girls or boys are better doesn't really matter--but arguing about it can often be a lot of fun.

Cody Rogers and Kayla Donaldson argue about who is right. Sometimes dating can cause competition more than anything else.
Photo by B. Griffith



Dealing with TRAUMATIC TIMES

By Sean Owen

Every kid in High school goes through it. It can depress you, make you want to run away, and even make the toughest kids cry. It's Drama.

Every little thing that happens in the halls and classrooms of an American High school can be considered drama. Walking down the halls, you can see it flowing through every open door and leaking out of everyone's pores. The teacher chewing out the late student, the couple who are going through their first fight, the two friends almost in tears over what to do about a friendship problem. It's almost as if High school should come with a warning label. There would be drama.

"Gossip is the worst kind of drama" Jessica Loveday commented. "It can ruin people's reputations." Most students would agree gossip is a horrible form of drama, but it comes with the territory. "Drama is at its maximum during high school because of the people that gossip and the things that happen during the time you're getting gossiped about." Tiffani Williams said. Most students tend to agree. No one likes being gossiped about but there were many more forms of drama in high school.

Athletic drama can also be a big hassle. Being on the football team and having the coach jump down your throat everyday isn't exactly a way to make your day better. Pressures from your fellow peers to have a winning season can be pretty stressful. It takes a lot of will power to survive it.

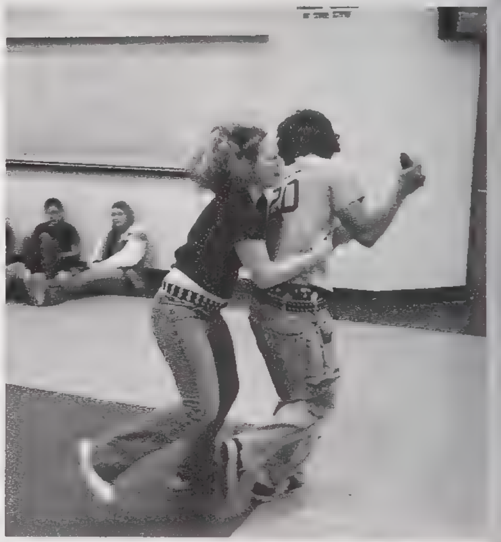
> "Gossip is the worst kind of drama."

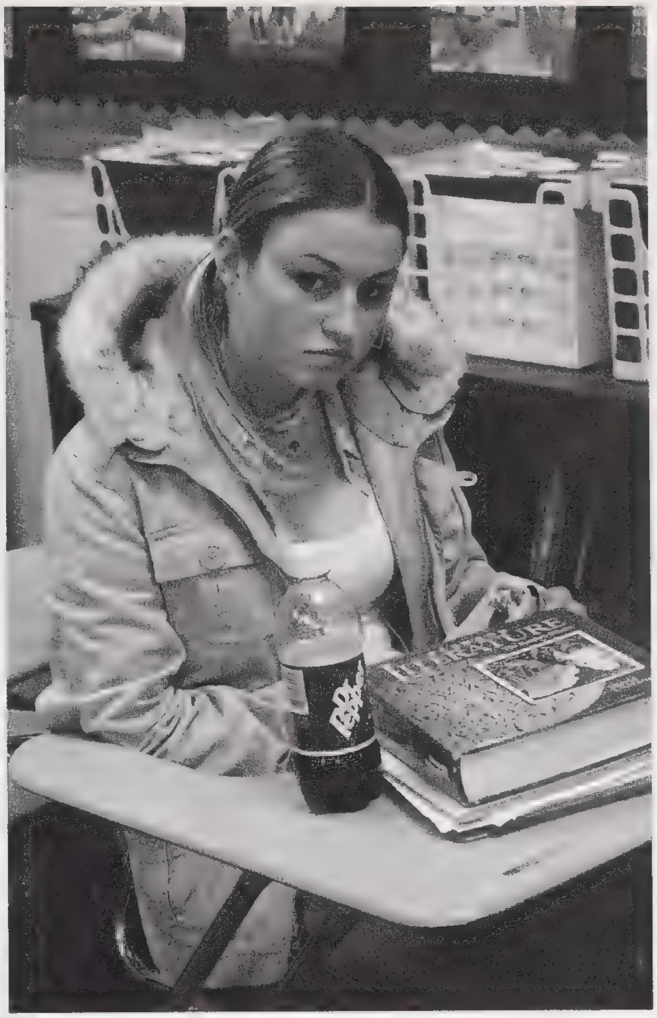
Academics aren't the worst nor the most feared kind of drama but it is still a part of drama. Failing classes can cause some painful drama. Having a project due in two days and not having anything done yet is a form with which many students are familiar.

Whether its gossip, athletics, academics, or any other form of drama, High school has it. It may make some days unlivable but it makes high school a time full of memories.

No Public Display of Affection! Jesse Chavez and Alicia Moreno try to sneak a little in during a class change. Ms. Friend made PDA a big deal this year. Photo by K. Hester

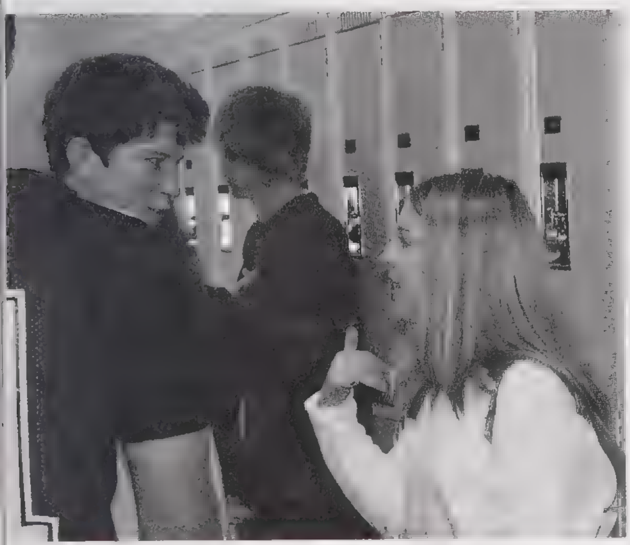
Give it back! Tara Case tackles Daniel Walker in an attempt to get her cell phone back. Sometimes just having fun can create drama of its own. Photo by B. Griffith.





Do I look like im having a good day? Morgan Cussans sits in English after being caught with a cell phone in class. Morgan is a sophomore. Photo by K. Hester

A group of girls stand in the commons and talk about the latest news. Photo by K. Hester.

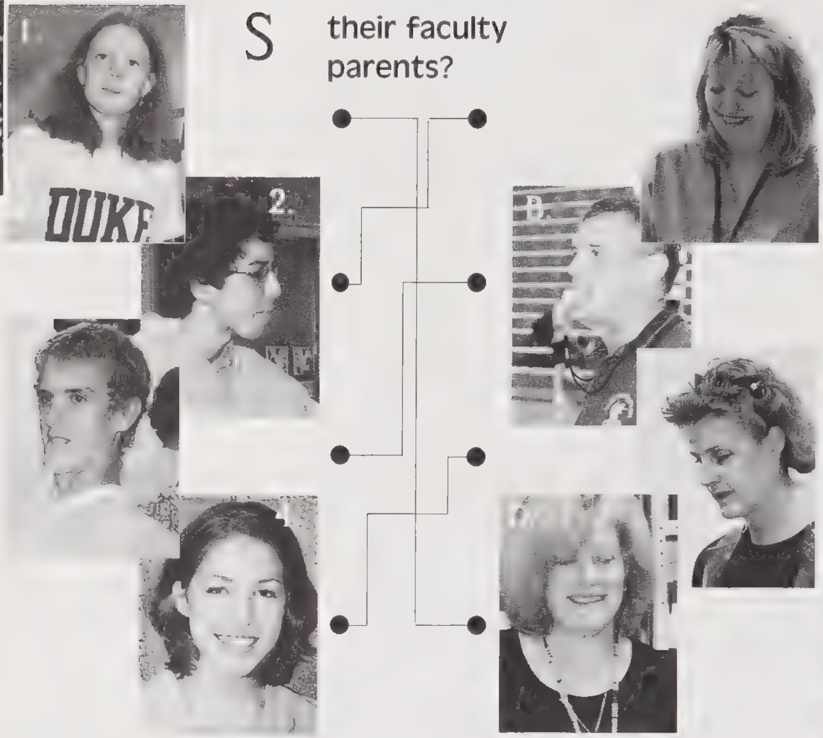


I dont think so. Morgan Minnick tells Kale Wright how it is. Students crammed alot of life into the six minutes between classes. Photo by K. Hester.

Get out of my face! Marie Beaunegre and Courtney Norman almost come to blows. Photo by K. Hester

MATCHING
MUGS

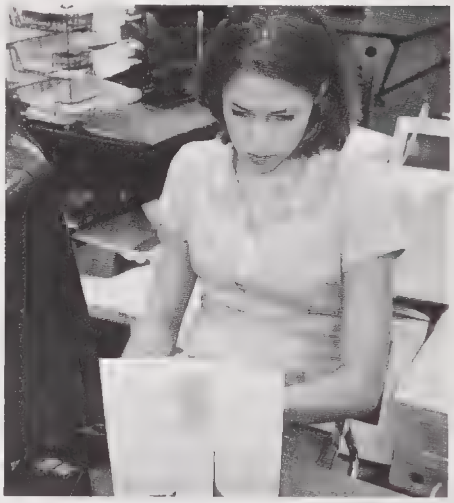
How well can you match up students with their faculty parents?



Ms. Justus interrupts Jamie's second period class to give him lunch money, one of the few advantages of having a parent at school. Photo by B. Griffith

"Don Quijote" de Pablo Pic

Mrs. Singletary helps her son Patrick Singletary with his homework in the morning before school starts. Patrick frequently receives help from his mother. Photo by B. Griffith.



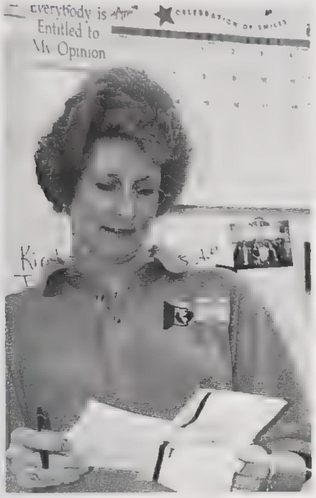
During second period Brittany VunCannon types up a paper for Ms. Jackson in Computer Applications. She patiently waits for lunch to see her mother. Photo by B. Griffith

Before school one morning Ms. Jackson helps her son Nick look up something on the computer. She lets him play around on the computers often. Photo by B. Griffith

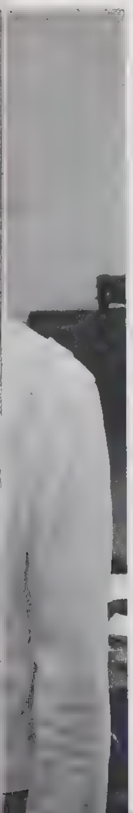
Sharing the SAME SPACE

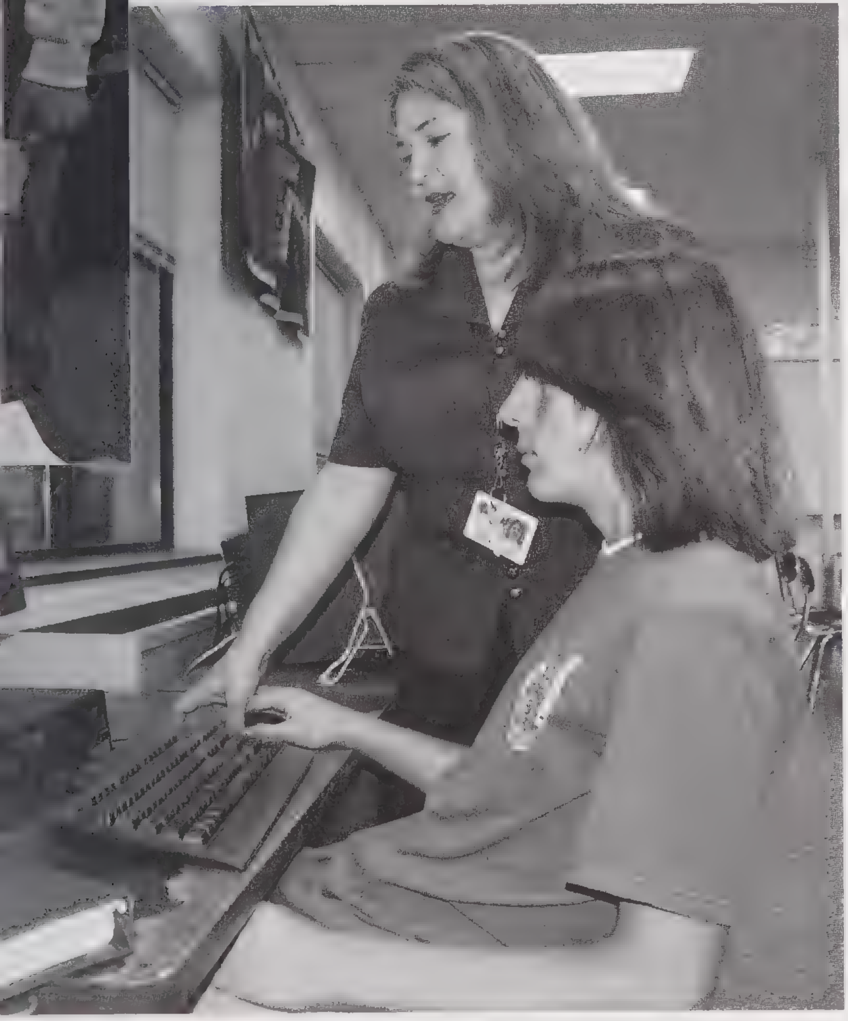
For some students, a parent is less than a phone call away

By Austin Tiller and Sean Owen


Everybody is Entitled to My Opinion

Ms. Singletary takes attendance during her second period Marketing Class. In the spring, Patrick has to make sure that he is on time for her class. Photo by B. Griffith





"Mom, dad, I don't want to go to school!"

"Oh be quiet! I've got to go too."

Most students would never have heard this in the early morning hours before school started, but some actually did. Most students would have considered themselves unlucky if their parents went to school with them, but these students actually enjoyed going to school with their parents, and everyone knows parents love to keep an eye on their child's school, and these parents got to.

Jamie Justus/Mrs. Justus, Brittany VunCannon/Mrs. VunCannon, Jay Pryor/Mrs. Pryor, Nick Jackson/Mrs. Jackson, Lucy Hillman/Mrs. Hillman, Patrick Singletary/Mrs. Singletary, Jake Pitillo/Mr. Pitillo are the student/parent combos. All the students said that they really didn't mind their parents around at school. They said that some of the advantages were that they always had a ride home, an easy and quick way to get the signatures, and an accessible source of money. One student even said he didn't need a locker because his parent let him keep his stuff in her room.

Almost all the students said there were disadvantages to having their parents at school with them. Some disadvantages were that their parents could always keep track of their grades, they had to be a little more cautious about how they acted, and the possibility of their parent embarrassing them with baby stories. Patrick Singletary, freshman commented "My mom told me that she would leave me alone and let me be."

Jamie Justus actually enjoyed having his mother around school. His mom has been teaching at his schools since the 6th grade. "One time she threw me a surprise birthday party in 8th grade in shop class" said Jamie.

Mrs. Justus really loved having her son at school with her; he is her second child she has taught. She said that she loved being around her children all the time because she could be more involved with her child's school. She also said that she didn't mind it when her kids messed with her at school. She even admitted to trying to embarrass them.

Parents loved being involved in their kids school because they could keep up with their clubs, academics, sports, and etc. It also helped to keep them in line. Mrs. Singletary said she loved having Patrick around, but "I don't want him to be known as Mrs. Singletary's son; I want him to be Patrick Singletary."

There were only a few disadvantages for a parent if they had children at school with them. Mrs. Hillman said that there weren't really and disadvantages except, "I only have the fear of being embarrassed."

> "I only have the fear of being embarassed."

Ms. Friend runs down the court and quickly glances back to locate the ball, thus realizing that she has no chance of stealing it from Brandon Coleman. Photo by C. Stevens.

Ms. Nelson should keep her day job. A few teachers attempt to portray cheerleaders. Their costumes were made up of tape and garbage bags. Photo by B. Griffith.

Alex Grant teases Ms. Fletcher with the ball, probably just wanting to watch her wave her arms around the entire court. Photo by B. Griffith

And the final score of the game is: Students-47, Faculty-51. Since Mr. Weast was the scorekeeper, he may have been biased towards the teachers winning. Photo by K. Hester.

What the REFEREE Didn't SEE

By Erin Finsel and Billy Griffith

Tradition. Every year, the entire student body gathers to watch their favorite teachers and best friends battle it out on the basketball court. For the past six years, the faculty has won. Now, the question arises: How has the faculty made victory their own personal tradition?

Some students suspect cheating. Several students have reported specific examples of the faculty illegally stealing the ball or scoring after the referee, Mr. Figart blew the whistle. Senior Jason Collazo describes the game as brutal. "I know our faculty pretty well, and some of them will stop at nothing to win." Even Ms. Friend saw some cheating when the faculty had six members on the court at once. She thought the game was unfair towards the teachers though. "The old people could not keep up with the young ones. What's fair about that"?

Their were mixed feelings about the referee, Mr. Figart. Sophomore, Katie Byrd said, "Mr. Figart was one sided towards the teachers." Ms. Friend disagrees, saying that Mr. Figart was "impartial and an objective person".

Ms. Pryor shared her experience at the students vs. faculty basketball game. "This being my first year, I thought the game was going to be fun. I felt the men were too serious."

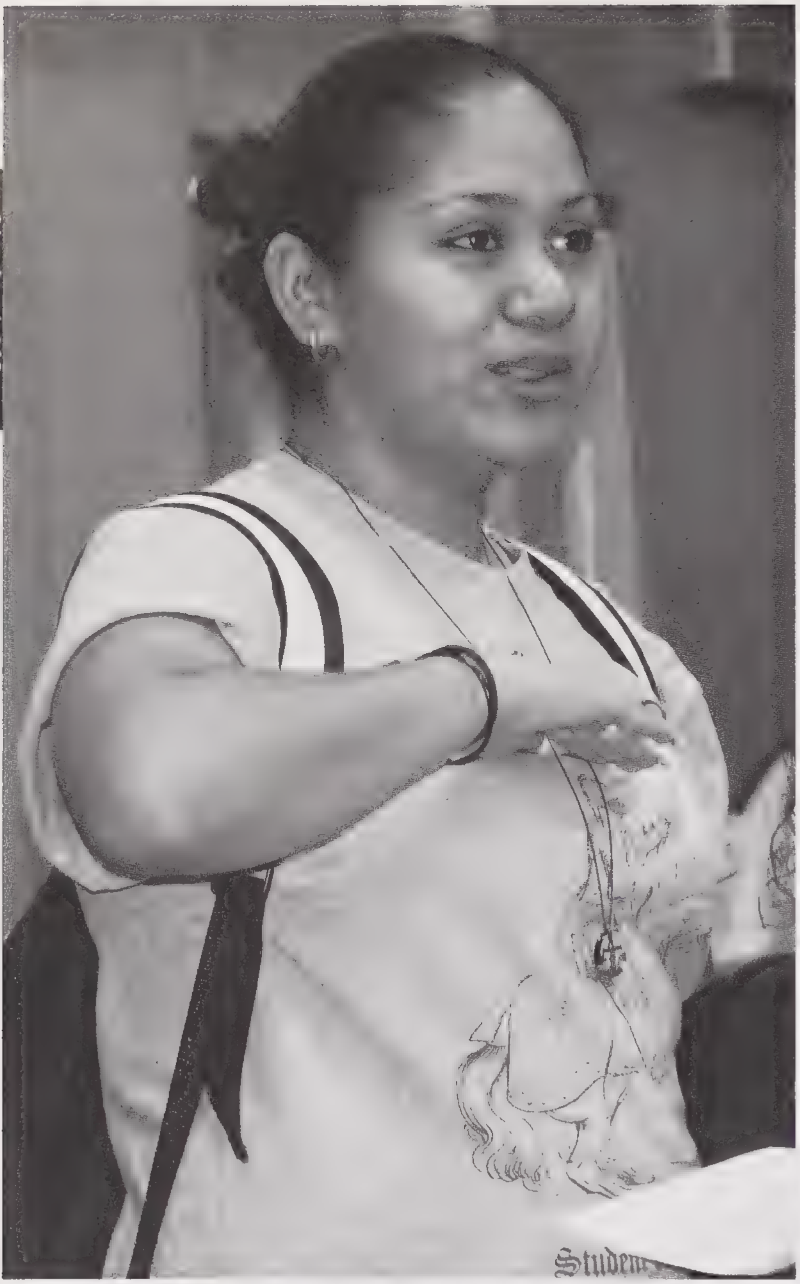
> "They will stop at nothing to win"

There were also mixed feelings about the result of the game. While many say the teachers rightfully won, others say that the students should have been victorious. Whatever the outcome of the game, everyone agreed with Mr. Weast in saying that they had "a blast" at the game.

As soon as the third quarter finished, the Varsity Cheerleading squad pumped up the students by helping Mr. Gore top the pyramid. Photo by B. Griffith.

Coach Uy gets ready to jump up and score for his team. It was difficult because the students were always there, ready to block. Photo by B. Griffith

Mr. Edney and Mr. Gore try to block Mike Dowling from passing the ball to another team mate. Mike was still able to pass the ball and score for the students' team. Photo by B. Griffith.



Hispanic Spirit! Lupita Aguillón salutes the great Mexican Flag during a Spanish Ceremony. Photo by B. Griffith

Beautiful! Angeles Ramirez won 1st place in the Miss Hendersonville Latina Contest. Photo courtesy of Jairo Mercado

Name: Angeles Ramirez

Favorite Restaurant: Zaxby's

Favorite Food: Chinese

Favorite Movie: How to deal

Favorite Hobbies: Playing soccer

Favorite Songs Lyric: "Si pudiera ser tu hereo, si pudiera ser tu dios y salvarte a ti mil veces"

Furthest place visited: Morelia, Michoácan

ENTRE DOS MUNDOS

If you can't read this, it's time to make a few new friends.

Por Jason Guillén y Tyler Sain

Alberto Hernadez gets involved in school by playing in the Varsity football team. Photo by B. Griffith

"En Chile, tienes que ir a la escuela, o los policías van por ti. Los maestros son los que se mueven de clase a clase, no los estudiantes." Júnior, Felipe Rojas comentó, "los estudiantes tienes que usar uniformes."

Felipe Rojas llegó a los Estados Unidos en marzo, 2004. Por cuatro meses el estudió inglés en A-B Tech. El después decidió terminar High School antes de enfocarse en aprender inglés. Apenas llegó a North Henderson el entró al equipo de fútbol (Soccer). "En Chile no puedes practicar deportes en la escuela," dijo Felipe.

Para estudiantes inmigrantes, la cultura americana puede ser muy diferente. Karen Granados, Senior dijo que "escuelas en Honduras son muy diferentes porque las clases solamente duran cuarenta y cinco minutos y tenemos diez clases al día." Lo que mas extrañan los estudiantes hispanos de sus países es la comida como tamales, enchiladas y muchos platos típicos.

"For immigrant students, American culture could be very different."

Señora Friend, la principal empezó a aprender español hace quince años en High School y en el colegio; ella aún usa CD's y los escucha después de la escuela. Para ella, sabiendo español le ayuda a comunicarse con más personas. "Yo tengo un amigo de España que se llama Javier." Dijo Señora Friend, "Y mi mejor amiga es Señora Martín." A Señora Friend le gustaría viajar a España, Brasil (aunque que no es un país hispano), Puerto Rico, Costa Rica y Cuba pero después que Fidel Castro se vaya.

Molly Silva and Angeles Ramirez hold up the Mexican Flag while participating in an Aim Club. activity. Photo by B. Griffith

Watch as Marden Rodriguez gets exausted while playing a tough game of futbol (soccer) for the Varsity team against the Pisgah Bears. Photo by B. Griffith

What do your clothes say about you?

Being a fashion star

by Jessica Crocker and Anahi Perez

Wow, Ms. Singletary sure shows a fashion don't! During spirit week, Ms. Singletary showed her spirit, by dressing up for every day. Photo by B. Griffith.

Every morning around 7 a.m., students were just waking to the beep beep...sound of their alarm clock, to get ready for school. The first question when they woke, barely able to hold their eyes open, was...What to wear to school today?

"I usually just wake up and grab something out of my closet, I don't really care what it is," commented sophomore Ashley Wood. While getting ready for school may have been easy for some, it was a difficult task for many. While some styles were more memorable than others; individuality was definitely a force to be reckoned with.

Getting over fears of what others may have thought about what they wore or dressing for themselves rather than their peers was an easy task for almost every student. This task was especially easy for senior John Spiracos who said, "When I'm shopping and trying on clothes I don't think about what others will think of it, if I like it I buy it." Like John many students shared the same outlook on personal style.

"Everyone has a style of their own, it tells a little about your personality," said senior Megan Lynch. Showing off their personality represented by your style gave the school a touch of individuality and allowed our school to stand above the rest. While not all students were all that individualistic, most students were able to relate on new fashion trends and styles. Many students who were asked where their favorite place to shop was, nearly half of them responded, with "American Eagle." Students, whom chose not to be so individual or distinct still dressed for themselves rather than worrying about opinions from their peers.

Overall, style was determined by your individual personality, allowing students to dress as individuals allowed our school to come together as one, even though the styles varied.

> "Everyone has a style of their own"

Jamie Justus, junior:

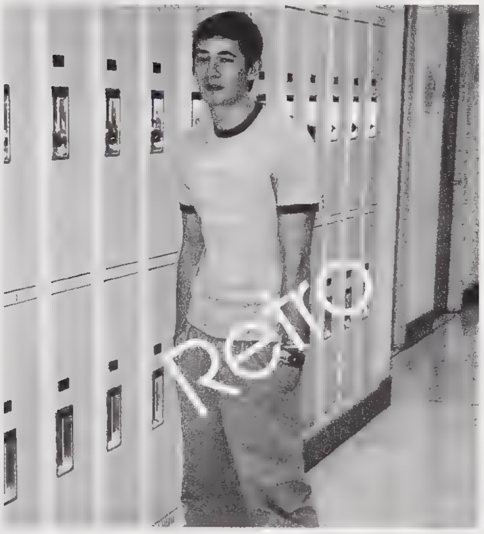
"It's fun to make people look twice, to see what you're wearing. The resale and thrift shops are the best place to get all the new fashions and trends."

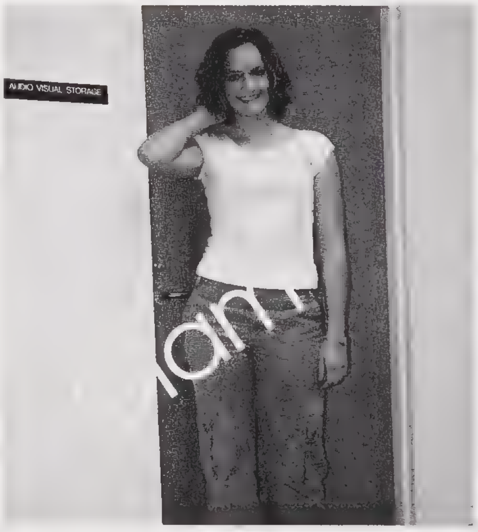
Susan Pryor, sophmore:

"Fashion is awesome!, I always like to cordinate."

John Spiracos, senior:

"I don't care what other people think of what I wear, I don't care what anyone says, I buy what I like."





Jill Ayscue, Junior, on fashion:
"I wear what I like, it's my own personal style. Style is fun, it's something you can have fun with."

White Shirt with black polka-dots:
From: Dillards
Cost: $20

Knee-Length Black Flared Skirt:
From: The Limited
Cost: $54

High-heeled black pumps:
From: Discount Shoe Store
Cost: $15

Ashley Wood, sophmore:

"I usually don't care what I'm wearing, as long as I'm comfortable."

Wayne Nock, junior:

"I believe in being unpredictable in what I wear. As long as it doesn't make my butt look big, I'll wear it."

Megan Lynch, senior:

"I like to make up my own fashions, I don't like to be like everyone else, I like to stand out."

Caught in the act. Haley Donaldson and Jessica Crocker set up a prank in Coach Banfields office. They usually do this for softball every year. Photo by C. Stevens.

With silly string, beach balls, and 199 candy necklaces all presented to last year's principal Lisa Anderson, the graduates of 2004 couldn't resist a few last minute pranks during graduation. Photo by F. Gore

Laughing it up. Jessica Crocker and Haley Donaldson crack up after a succesful prank on Coach Banfield. Jessica and Haley try to get her once a year. Photo by B. Giffith

I like chicken cause its so delicious. The Seniors last year let a chicken loose in the courtyard as a harmless prank. Many people found it funny.

Making MISCHIEF

Sometimes it takes a harmless prank or two to relieve stress

by Sean Owen

The guys Cross Country team felt a little funny. They had taken turns running to the bathrooms ever since the Wendy's Invitational Meet was over. What was wrong with them? Little did they know that that delicious batch of brownies they had eaten in celebration had a secret ingredient: Laxative.

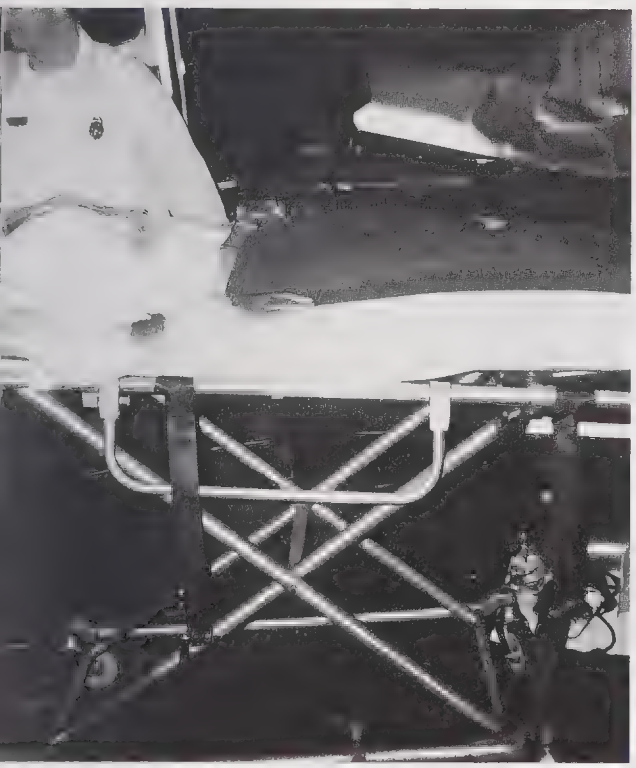
"We told them someone's parents had made them for the boys' team and they ate them all." Megan Corn gives the story behind a successful prank.

Pranks are very common throughout high school. One line of pranks that happens every year is Senior Pranks. Consider it a final farewell of sorts. Tons of planning and preparation take place in order to pull off a highly successful prank.

> "We told them someone's parents had made them for the boys' team and they ate them all."

Whether people consider pranks good or bad, they must admit them funny. Some pranks have the danger of hurting people's feelings or costing them money. Most students are careful not to pull these pranks though.

Last year the seniors actually made people mad and cost them money with one of their pranks. The seniors found it funny to deflate all the bus tires overnight so no buses could leave the next morning. This cost the school system thousands of dollars but if you were to ask a senior they would most likely respond with "It's all harmless fun"



Opening up people's eyes can be another result of intentional pranks. Here, Amanda Cox portrays an accident victim in the annual Judgement House. Photo by Kasi Dowdle.

Megan Corn
Junior

Favorite Restaurant: Mellow Mushroom

Favorite Food: Macaroni & Cheese

Favorite Movie: Lilo and Stitch

Favorite Hobbies: Softball, snowboarding, surfing

Favorite Song Lyric: Another lonely Day - Ben Harper

Favorite Place Visted: San Diego California

Worst prank pulled: Ex-lax brownies for the boys Cross Country team.

unplanned vacation time

By Erin Finsel

Everybody loves a snow day... Right?

Sophomore Michael Manning and Senior Sean Bryant are just two ofthe many students who enjoy getting out of school for snow. "I like it when it snows because it gets me out of school for a day or two. I have time to do what I want to," Sean said. Like many other students, Sean uses his free time to make snow cream, sled, and get in snowball fights, although he sent out this warning: "Snowball fights aren't fun with yellow snow."

> "Snow days are like credit cards. You have fun at the time, but later you have to pay."

Michael loves snow days because they give him a chance to get out of school. Although he normally stays inside when it snows, he shared a particularly fun snow memory. "We really don't have any hills at my house, so we can't sled a lot. So, one time, my dad got out a go-cart and attached the sleds to the back and drove us around."

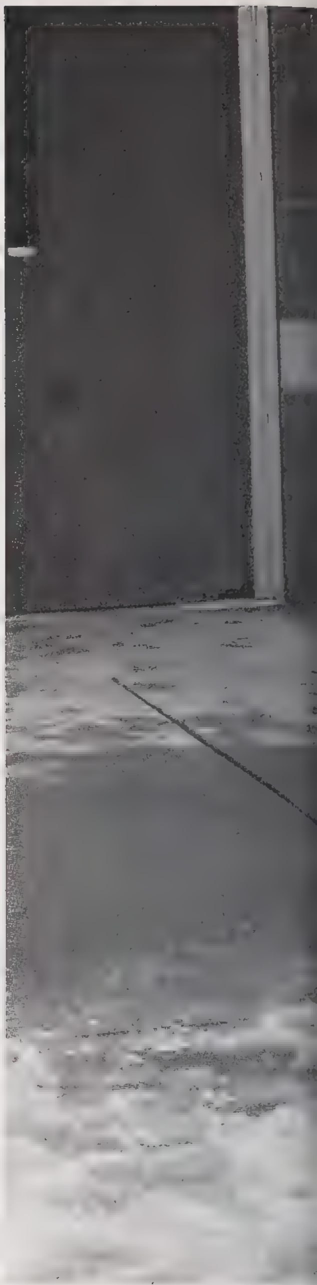
Not everybody is so crazy about getting out of school because of snow. Sophomore Drew Walters shared his opinion. "Snow days are like credit cards. You have fun at the time, but later you have to pay." Many students, as well as teachers, agree.

"I like a few snow days because they give everyone an unexpected break, but I prefer to have my days off in the summer when it's warm outside" Ms. Nichols, English teacher, said.

Teachers don't always agree when it comes to missing school. Mrs. Toler, Science teacher, shared her love for early dismissals. "It counts as a day, so we don't have to make it up."

While some teachers enjoy getting out of school early, some would rather not. Ms. Nichols worries about students before they leave. "From a teacher's standpoint, it usually distracts my students. They are constantly glancing outside to see the status of the weather."

Even so, most teachers agree that the occasional snow day is nice. "It gives me time to catch up on grading papers," Ms. Toler said. She also enjoys the fact that she gets to sleep in, and then spend the day sledding and watching movies. "My family always competes to see who can travel the farthest on their sleds."



Jason Guillen, Sophomore, stops between classes to play in the snow between classes. On days like this, students have to watch out for ice and snowballs! Photo by B. Griffith.

Winter wonderland? Not quite. While some winter weather is nice, some is destructive. Sophomore Lauren Cannon had a tree fall into her house. Photo courtesy of L. Cannon.

"Snowball fight!" yells Sophomore, Kasi Dowdle as she hurls a snowball at a "friend." Students loved getting a chance to peg their friends with a clump of cold snow. Photo by B. Griffith.

After a night of freezing rain, the students enjoy walking around the courtyard to take a look at all the icicles. Students took any chance to play with the ice. Photo by B. Griffith.

Ashley Cox, Senior, stops for a moment to check out the ice on the trees in the courtyard. Students had to watch for ice on the ground as they were going to class. Photo by B. Griffith.

Loretta Ludwig, Freshman, walks through the courtyard before heading to class. Loretta was one of the many students who admired the ice between classes. Photo by B. Griffith

Expanding the Boun

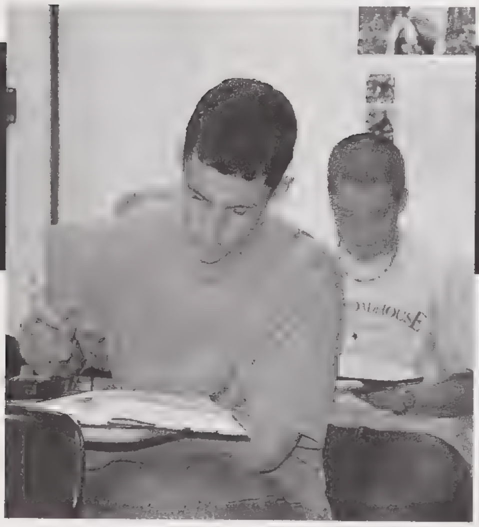
By Jessica Crocker

The day frantically began, by waking up late, dragging yourself out of bed, rushing to get to school before the last bell rang. Barley making it to first period on time, taking your seat unknowing what the day would bring, and anxious about the 3:00 o'clock bell to ring, was such, a **day in the life** of many students.

The beginning of the year started with many expectations for students to uphold. After a long summer break, resting form hearing phrases like, "where's your homework, or "did you study," students and teachers alike were eager to raise the bar for the school year.

Students spent many hours studying and **working hard**, not to please their teacher, or even to satisfy their parents expectations, but for themselves. Setting goals, raising the bar, and even making a few A's now and again, expanding the boundaries wasn't about pleasing others, but rather **expanding** personal **boundaries.** Setting limits and going above and beyond in the life of academics was an obstacle students proved to overcome.

While academics weren't at the top of every student's list, every student was able to overcome obstacles and set new boundaries.



Justin Lamb working hard to earn a good grade. Justin also plays varisty football and is an asset to the team. Photo by B. Griffith

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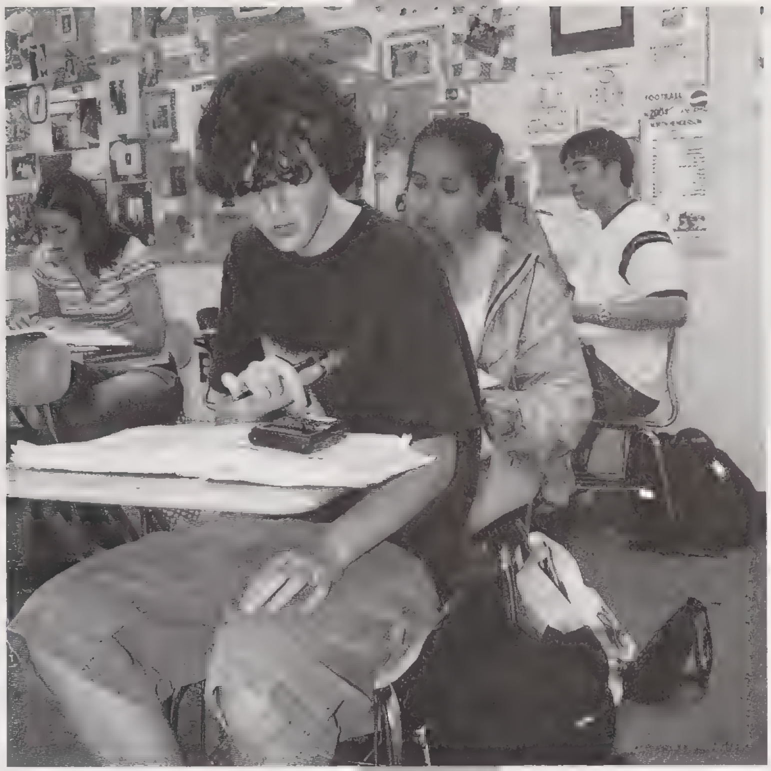
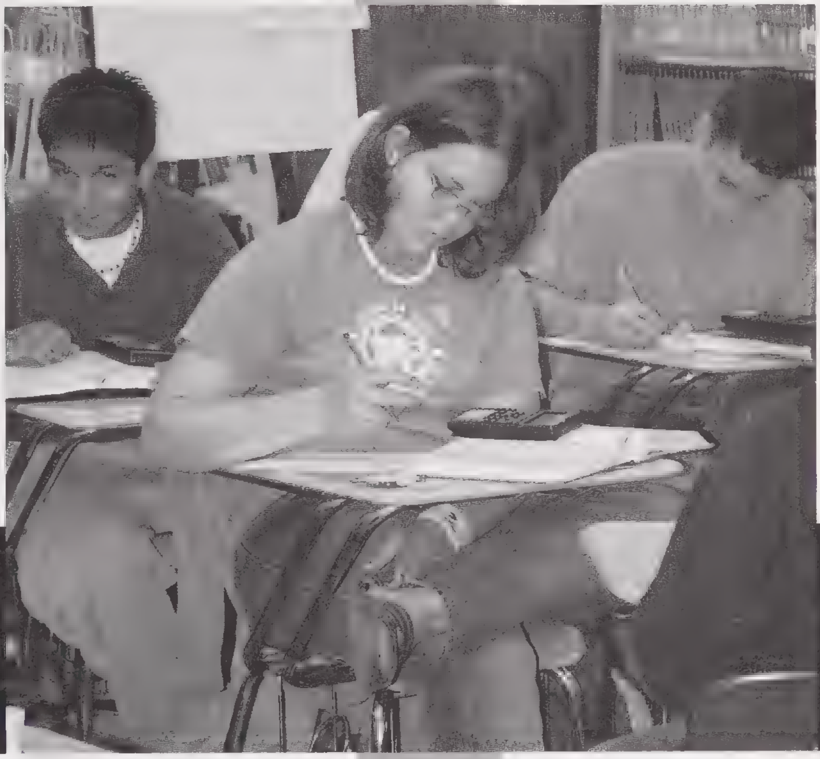


Junior, Tom Carnot working hard in math class to get his work done! Tom is a very talented individual. Photo by B. Griffith.



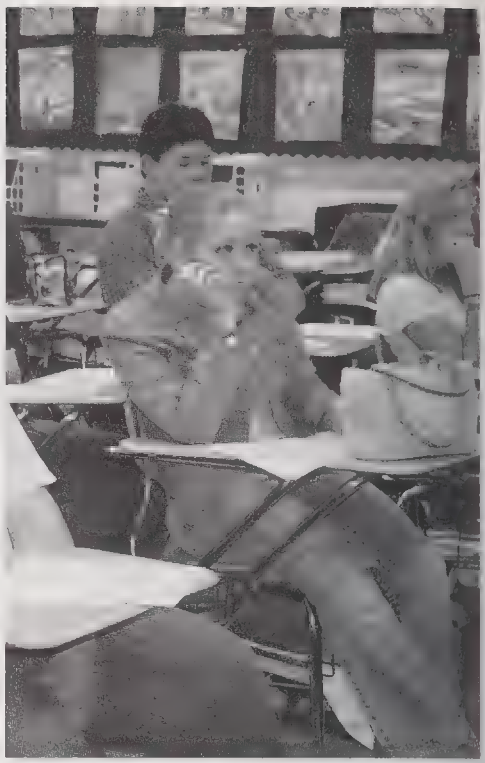
Time flies...when doing work! Laura Stave works while in Ms. Pryors Allied Health Science class. Laura also play J.V. Volleyball. Photo by C. Stevens

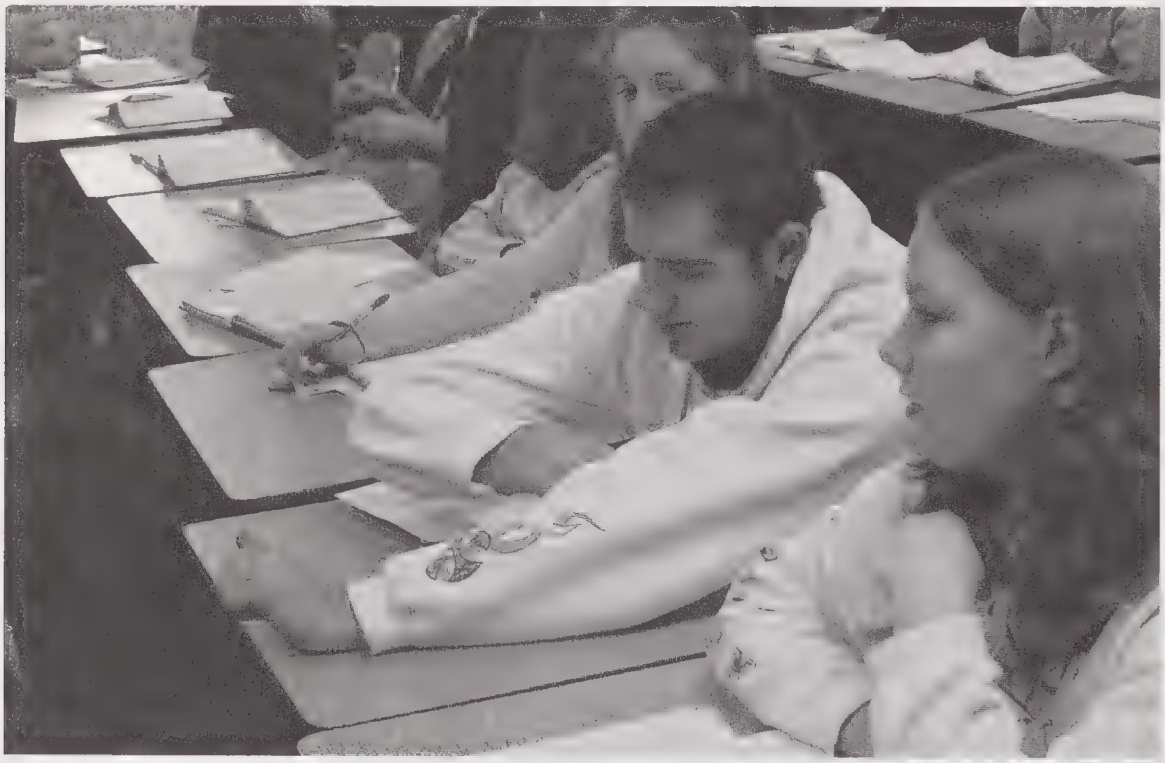
Melody Mcdaniel concentrates hard, focusing on the task ahead of her while in matth class. Photo by B. Griffith.

After finishing the EOC some students choose to sleep. EOC's normally take three hours so students have plenty of time to sleep after they finish. Photo by B. Griffith

Ginny Jackson listens as Mrs. West gives a lesson. Paying attention paid off at the end of the year because students knew what to expect on the test. Photo by B. Griffith

Sean Pace tries to cover his paper during the test. Sean as well as other students try to keep students from cheating . Photo by K. Hester

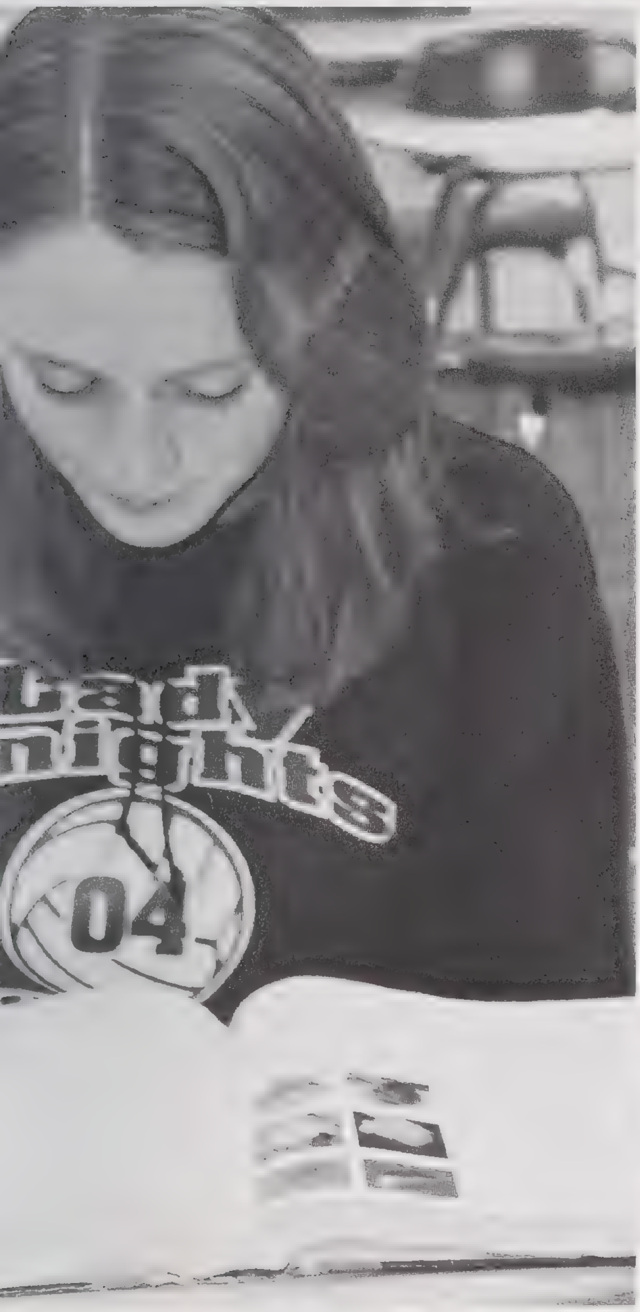




Kelda Sluder searches through her book studying for her class. Looking over a chapter was a method many students used. Photo by B. Griffith

Another way to study which is the easiest would be to study with a partner. Alicia Stonecypher and Jessica Bachman think its a great idea. Photo by K. Hester

Pencils down. With this in mind Caroline Jones was finished with her test and her pencil was on her desk as she was waiting for the other students to finish. Photo by K. Hester



The Forever Dreaded Exam

By Anahi Perez and Tara Ward

Your Grade Awaits.........

"Today we will begin the North Carolina EOC test."

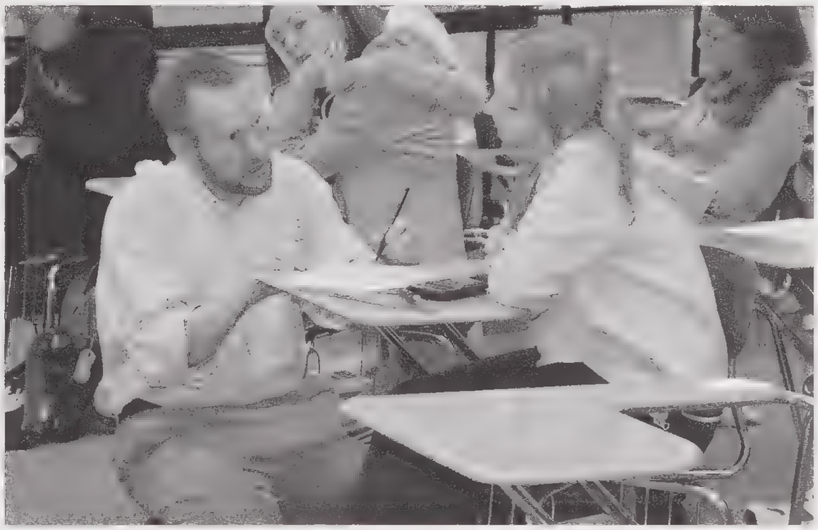
It was testing time again and students knew their grade depended on the EOC test. Junior Carrie Connor said, "One test counting so much of your grade isn't fair some people are not good test takers." EOCs, also known as End Of Course Tests, are a series of questions about a course the students participate in. This test determines how much knowledge a student gained throughout the course. Preparing and studying for EOCs plays a big role in the life of a student. Many students stress a lot when test time arrives. Studying is a route many students take to help their score on the EOC. "I study because it makes me a better person, I get straight A's when I study", mentioned Karen Granados. While on the other hand Junior Stephanie Behringer said "I don't study."

> "I study because it makes me a better person . I get straight A's when I study"

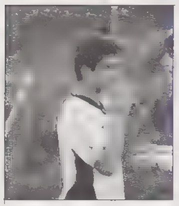
All students have different methods of studying. Some students study notes, study review guides, and some go to remediation . Some students think that eating a good breakfast does help them when testing because they are not hungry. Students have many opinions and thoughts on how to study. Many students believe the only thing that works is trying to get good grades.

Altogether, exams always tend to bring stress on students. So no matter what your view on exams are, they are here to stay, so crack open a book and start studying.

One on one. In this case Felicia Lewis had the chance to ask Mr. Frees some questions before the big day. Photo by B. Griffith



I'm a bird, I'm a plane, I'm in School



By: George McKee

The quarterback looks for a pass but can't find anyone; wait a minute, he bombs it; it is going to end zone; the receiver is all alone… "How do you find the square root of an irrational number?" And the student in Algebra 2 thuds back to reality.

In class, students fight, chew gum, backtalk, sleep, and many other naughty actions, but the single biggest distraction is all in their heads. Students call this little technique daydreaming, the art of looking like you are paying attention.

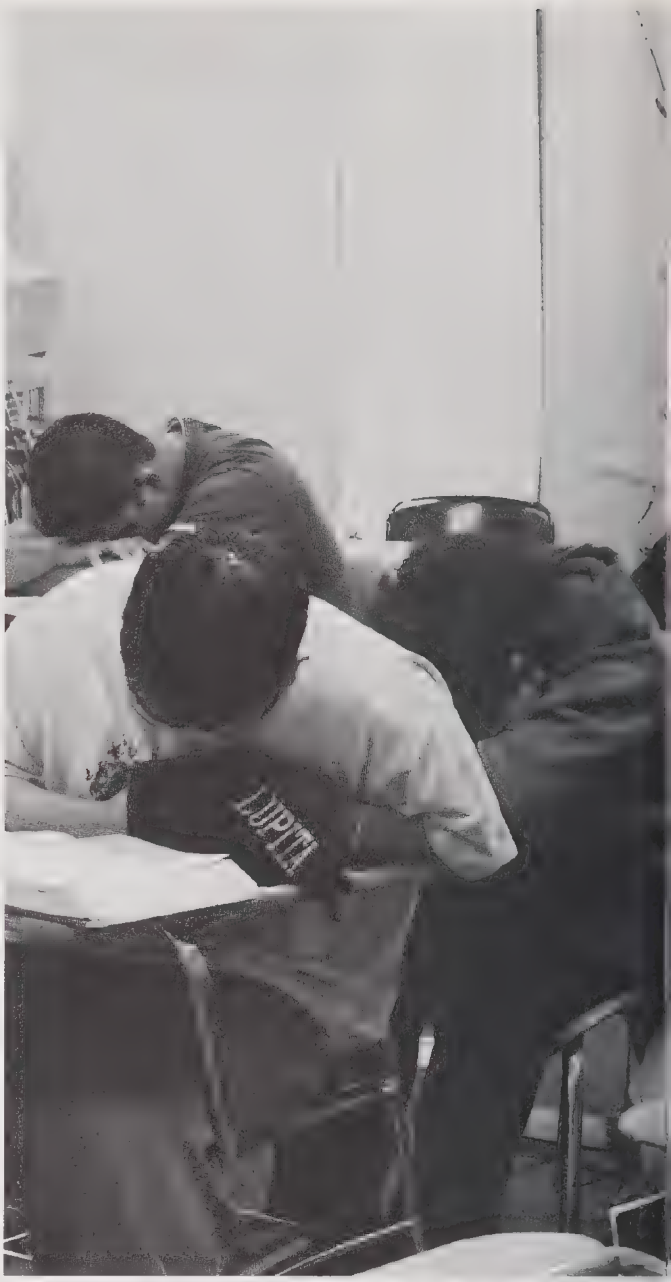
"I just like to think about the philosophical ideals in life."

Sophomore Alex Grant said he daydreamed during Mrs. Whitted's Algebra 1b class. "Whether it is boring or not, at the time, I just like to think about the philosophical ideals in life," said Alex "I just like to chill during her class; it is not like I got caught." Many students daydream about other things; for example, they daydream about what their weekend is going to bring.

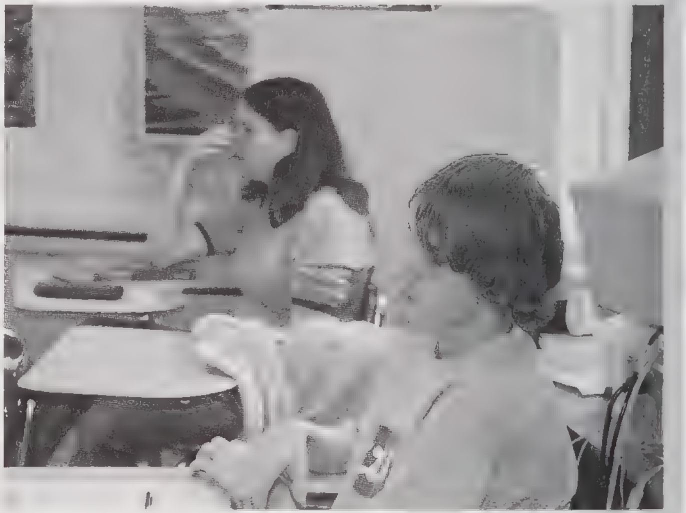
Junior Kenneth Chastain said he rarely day dreams; he would just rather go to sleep. Many students had homework every night and stayed up all night doing it. "It is not like my classes are boring; I just never get a break from homework, with work and all it is very stressing." Junior Kenneth Chastain replied.

Sophomore Ben Moss is a trickster when it comes to daydreaming. Ben had been fortunate enough to never get into trouble for not paying attention. "If I do get caught (Sometime in the far future) then the teachers better be prepared for the excuse, 'I had a rough night.' Ben Moss sophomore said. "Works every time"

No matter what teachers can do somehow students will daydream. Some get caught; others will slip by... *And he catches it. The North Henderson Knights are the Western Highlands Conference champs; they have done it again. Final score 54-53, in favor of the Knights."*

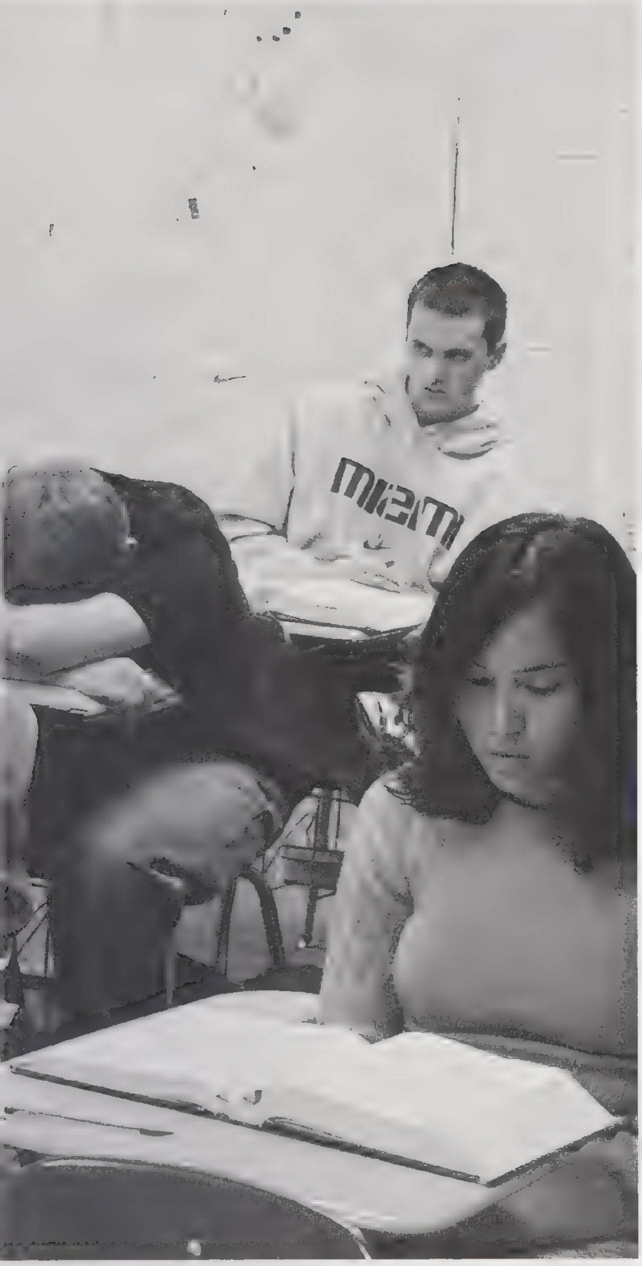


I hate Algebra. Nathan Roberson is in Dr. Warrens Pre Algebra class Math is just not his thing. Photo by Billy Griffith



Mommy?!? Shawn Pace is just waking after Ms Mathis woke him up after reading the class a book. Photo by Billy Griffith

And the consequences are harsh. Freshman Alex gets into trouble for not paying attention during Mr. Peterson's 1st period Algebra 1A class. Photo by Billy Griffith



Everyone is just having a blast while the teacher walks out of the room. At least there are a couple of students who are decent enough to be good.Photo by Billy Griffith

Time for a snooze! Ashley Staton takes a break during Mrs. Singletary's Second Period class. Photo by Billy Griffith

Trey Hope and Matt Taylor are Talking and not paying attention during class Photo by Billy Griffith

Alex Grant
Sophomore

Age: 16

Fav. Song:
"One Love" Bob Marley

Favorite Sport: Soccer

Favorite Foods: Pizza, Sushi, Calamari, Paffai

Farthest Place Visited: Los Angeles, Ca.

Brittany Storm and Tyler Nix work together in Mr. Weast's class on a lab on the anatomy of fruit. Several students sampled the sweet rewards of their work. Photo by B. Griffith.

The physics class do their Egg Drop Experiment.Mr. Gore is opening up each box to see if the egg survived the fall. Mr. Gore has to check to see that no one hard boiled their egg. Photo by C. Stevens

Alan Clancy

Age: 16

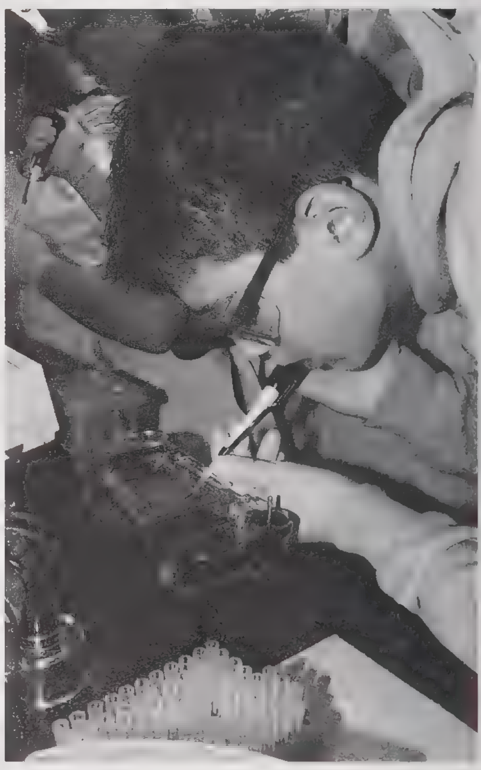
Favorite Color: Green

Favorite Food: Chicken

Favorite Music: Rock

Hobby: Listening to music

Favorite Song: "Sweet Child O' Mine" By: Guns & Roses



Getting it done:

Students learn by doing.

by Austin Tiller

During their psychology experiment, Amanda Anthony leads Tiffany Barnwell around while she is blindfolded. Mr. Coren wanted his students to feel what its like to have lost a sense. Photo by B. Griffith

Most students do more than just sit back and learn, they "dig" into the material!

"Ok, everyone, class is starting, take your seats. Today were going to make a liquid nitrogen bomb."

"Sweet!"

"Awesome!"

"Everyone, calm down."

This situation was familiar to Mr. Gore and his Chemistry I and Honors Chemistry Classes. Every year Mr. Gore and his Chemistry students have made a liquid nitrogen bomb.

Almost every class did some kind of hands-on learning activities. Some don't do them quite as often as others but they all usually do. English classes may build scenes from a book they just read. Math might use models to explain a new concept they were trying to learn. Science might have done a lab experiment to show just how something they might be studying works.

Mr. Gore and his classes use hands-on activities, or labs, quite often. Not only do his chemistry classes use them but so do his physics classes, so they can see just how something works. "I enjoy doing labs with my classes because it helps students learn their material better, and I enjoy watching my students doing the labs and having fun," said Mr. Gore. He also said, that he could do more labs in his classes, but he just doesn't have enough time.

Students also enjoyed doing labs or other hands-on activities in their classes. Most students liked doing them because they were fun, while others liked them because they could learn what they were studying better, when they could see it in action. Christina Storm, sophomore, said "I like doing hands-on activities because they keep my attention, and there should be more hands-on activities in school."

Some classes like carpentry are nothing but hands-on activities. In carpentry students are always working with their hands to build whatever needed. Jonathan Caudle, sophomore, said "Carpentry was fun because I got to use sharp tools."

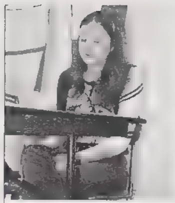
"Carpentry was fun because I got to use sharp tools."

In the Destiny Traveling Lab, Jacob Beistel works very carefully on an experiment so he won't mess it up. The traveling lab is a great way for students to do some hands-on learning. Photo by K. Hester

While working together on an experiment in the traveling lab Aaron Stewart and Cory Stepp get all their tools together for their experiment. Photo by K. Hester

Student Excuses

It's a lie, It's the truth,



by Naomi Mason

Students explained their missing tasks to their teachers...

As students walked to class, they thought of what to say next. They didn't do their homework, but they knew that wouldn't go with their teacher. So what did they do? They made up another story. "I worked late last night and didn't get the chance to do it," was Tommy Murphy's favorite excuse. But for most students, it just comes down to not doing the work.

There were many different excuses that students used; but why didn't they just tell the truth? "Because I don't want to get into trouble, and the teachers fall for it anyways," said Laci Haynes, freshman. Even though students have six minutes between classes, they were still most commonly late simply because they were talking to their friends.

> "I used excuses in school because I was afraid of my parents."

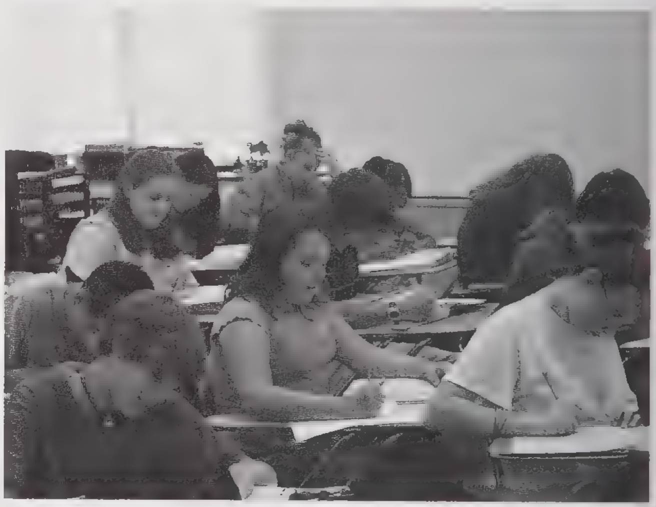
Once students plotted their storyline, did the teachers believe them? "No," Coach Frady said, "but I've been in their shoes before." Coach Frady also said, "They think it's the easy way out. I used them in school because I was afraid of my parents."

Every student had a list of lies to choose from. They really were lies, too. Tommy probably didn't even work the night before, but it sounded good to him so it would have also sounded good to his teacher.

Although the lie might sound better than the truth, the truth was better than a lie. Chris Allen, sophomore, remembers a time when he came to class late, without a major report. When his teacher asked for it, he had to think fast. "I tried to tell her I worked late and left it at home, but when I stuttered, I knew she didn't believe me."

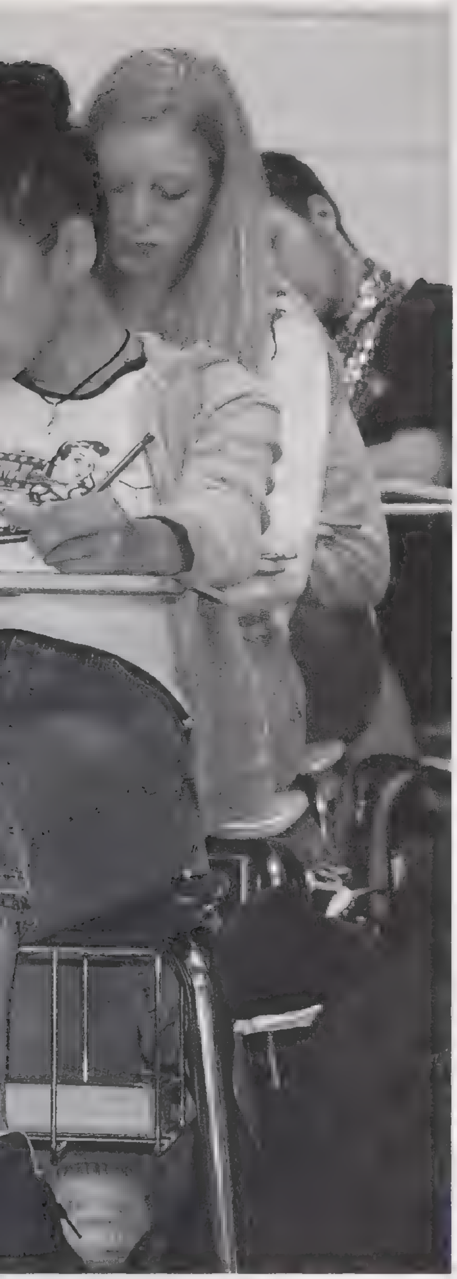
The three excuses that students use most

1. "I left my bookbag in my friend's car."
2. "My dog ate my homework."
3. "I'm sorry, I forgot!"



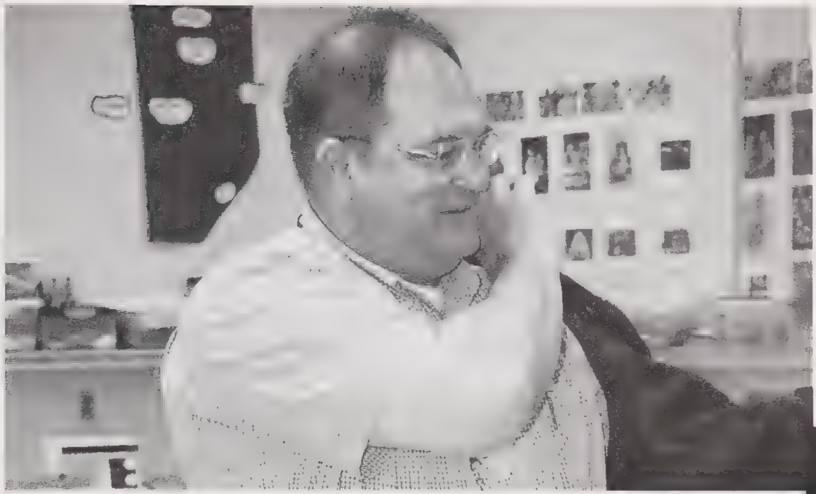
As Krista Eubanks studies in Ms. Edney's class, she makes a hard attempt to complete her unfinished work. Photo by B. Griffith

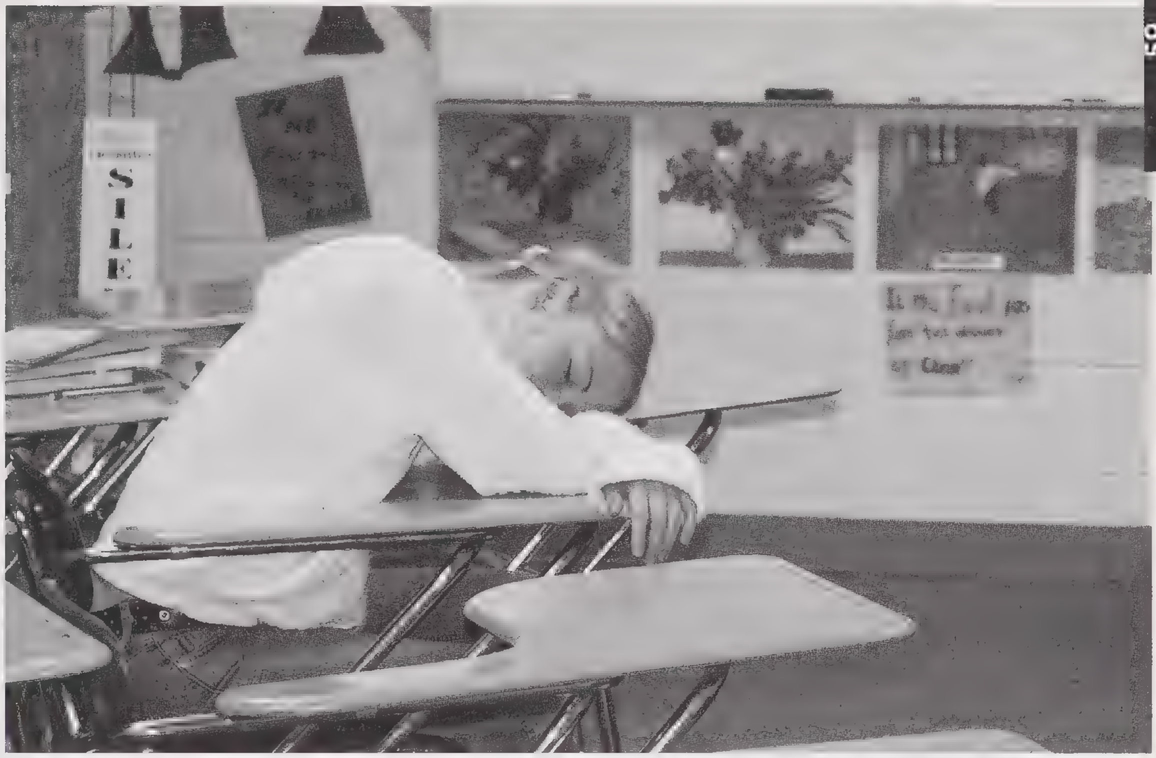
Robert Hicks, junior, needs a better excuse to get past Ms. Lanning before she'll give him a note to class. Students can only imagine the excuses that Ms. Lanning hears. Photo by K. Hester.



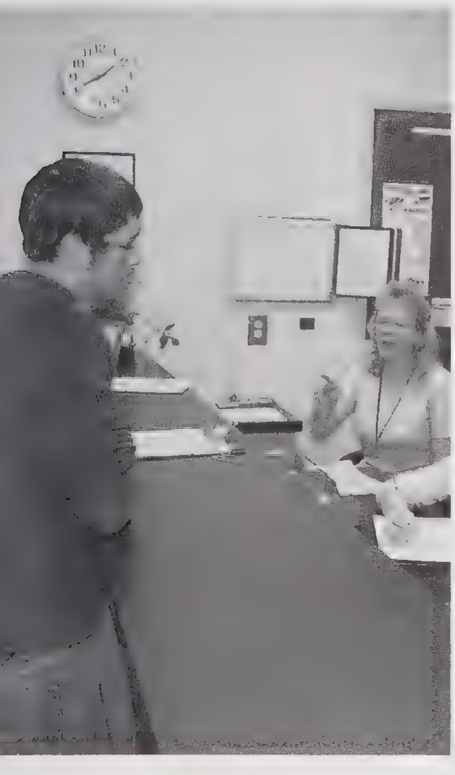
Ana Acosta, junior, tries to hurry to get her homework done in class so she doesn't have to make up an excuse later. Most students try to do this if they forget it. Photo by B. Griffith

Mr. Lewis is ready to leave class after he's had a long tired day full of student excuses. It amuses him that kids think they still get by with them. Photo by Excalibur Staff





After a hard day in class, Michelle Dill, Sophomore, falls asleep and is left behind in class. Staying up late talking or IM-ing other students was one cause of classtime naps. Photo by K. Hester



"When I'm late to work I just use the excuse 'I rode the city bus' so it's not my fault."
~Marie Beaunegre~

"If I had to use an excuse it'd be 'My dog ate it' because that one always makes me laugh!"
~Heather Sams~

"If I'm late to class I tell my teachers that my car broke down even though I don't have a car"
~ Tiffany Dwy~

When the teacher is out,

Who will take control?

by Carson Rhodes

Ms. Jonson guards the theatre class while Ms. Byorick is out sick. Substitutes often get to show movies or do other fun learning activities. Photo by B. Griffith

With the teacher out sick and the substitute in the classroom anything from talking to fist fights could have occurred, but with ex-navy man Doran Figart in charge, everything was under control.

"For the most part, students behave well at North." Mr. Figart said, "I have enjoyed all thirteen years I have been subbing. Watching the little education light go on in students' heads is what I enjoy."

Students enjoy having a sub. Why? "It's easier, I guess." Sophomore Jeriah Mielke said. "There is usually less homework."

Mr. Hilliard had no problem with assigning homework now that he is retired from teaching and on to his substituting career. "Being a substitute is easier because you don't have to plan. Teachers lay it all out for you and you get to enjoy yourself. You get a chance to walk around and help others," said Mr. Hilliard. "It's something you don't have to do everyday. And you get to meet new people," he said.

"I will probably sub until I don't want to do it anymore." Mr. Hilliard said.

Junior Samantha Hayes thinks that students will make substitutes want to quit by the way they act when the teacher is not there.

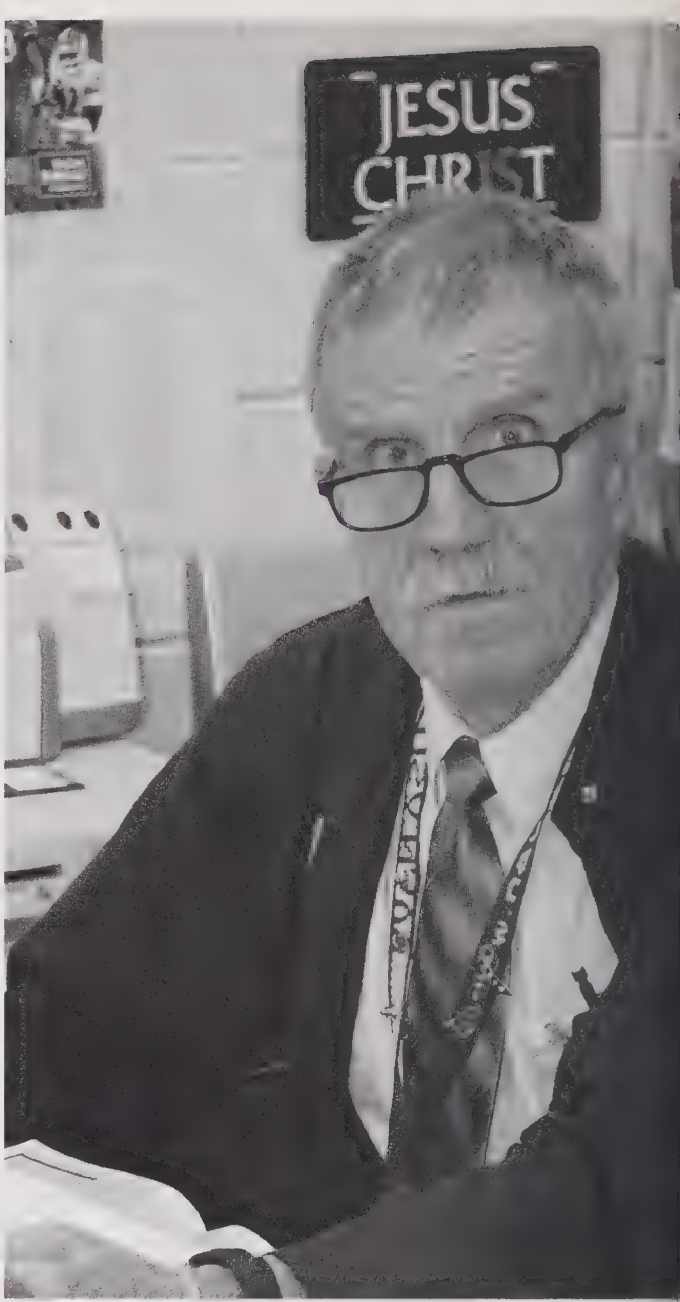
"The students in the classroom act up," Samantha said, "They always talk more than usual and they are loud and disrespectful, but it is ok because when the teacher comes back they usually get in a lot of trouble."

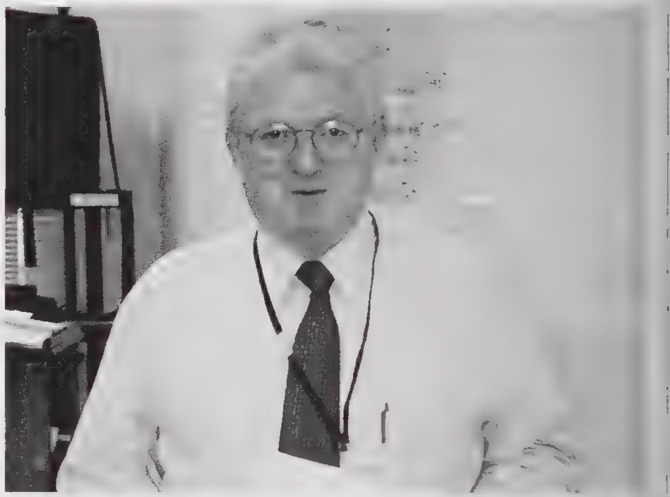
How long will the substitutes stay at North, some students ask?

"I plan on substituting for about 6 more years." Figart said.

Maybe in his next six years as a substitute, he will get a chance to sub for Mrs. Case, for whom he has never subbed.

The substitutes are not always respected as they should be, but without them holding classrooms together, students would have to deal with their regular teachers year round.

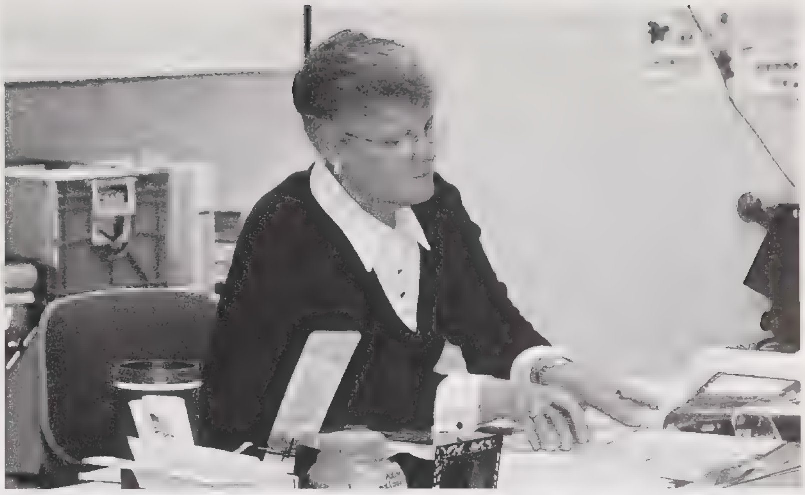




It's in the family. Mr. West, Mrs. West's husband, is seen around North subbing for all kinds of different classes. Photo by B. Griffith

Settle Down! Mr. Figart takes care of the ISS room while Coach Summey is away. Mr. Figart is often found watching over the students in ISS. Photo by B. Griffith

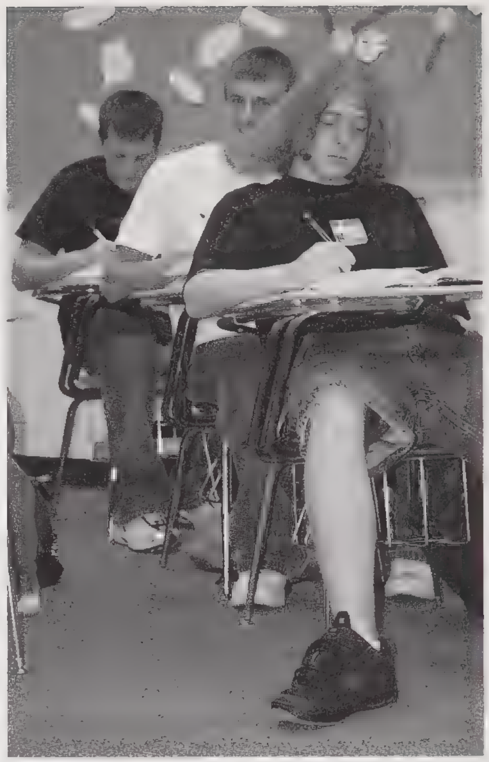
It's all under control. Mrs. Grey watches over an English class, keeping the students under control, and gives them their assignments. Photo by B. Griffith



Hustle! Mrs. Anderson a Tennis and ladies basketball coach, subs for a weightlifting class for the day. She is often found in the p.e. department. Photo by B. Griffith

Taking a break. Mr. Hilliard who used to teach at North is now a substitute. He takes a break from his normal day to play in the facualty band. Photo by B. Griffith

Get to work! Ms. Edwards takes care of Mrs. Becketts' class for a day. Ms. Edwards has returned to subbing after recovering from cancer. Photo by B. Griffith



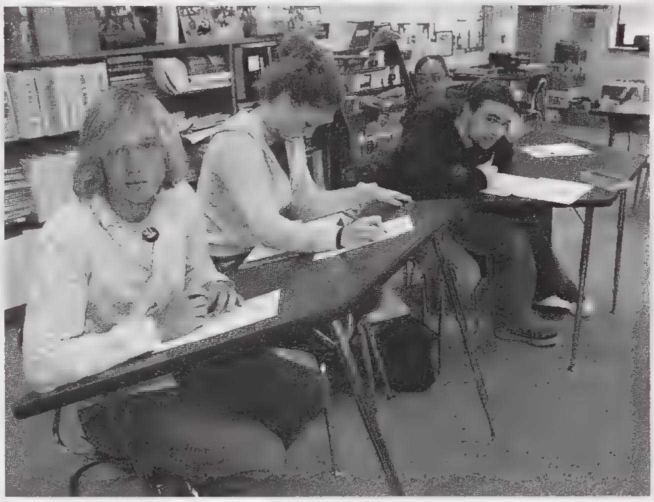
Too much work! Justin Lamb and Michael Player try to finish their class work. These juniors try to finish so they have no homework left to do. Photo by B. Griffith

Juniors, James Wise and Colby Moon try to listen attentively in Mr. Loving's class. Photo by B. Griffith

Posing for the camera. Billy Lunsford and Patrick Vega take a break from a hard day of classes to pose for the camera in Ms. Kass's class. Photo by B. Griffith

Listening intently. Freshmen Dexter Blackwell sits in Earth Enviormental. He hangs on to the teachers every word, which rewards him with A's and B's. Photo by B. Griffith

Goofing off! DT Studabaker, a junior, sits in Mrs. Singletary's class paying more attention to getting his picture taken than the actual class. Photo by B. Griffith



Joseph Lebaw

Favorite Song: "Reason to Believe"

Hobbies: politics and running

Favorite Sport: Running

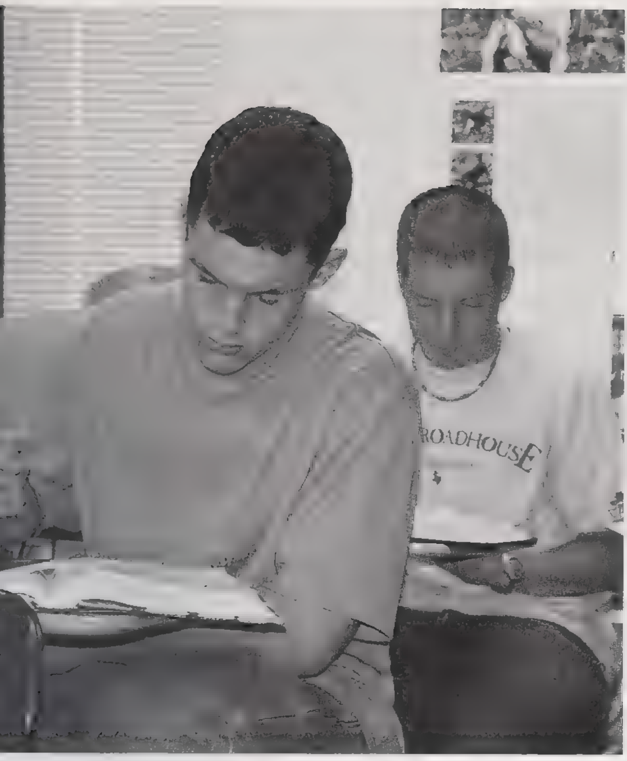
Favorite Food: Steak

Favorite Place Visited: Washington, D.C

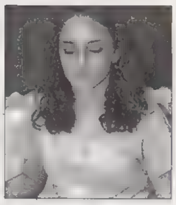
What do you like about school? "Knowing it's almost over"

Favorite movie: Saving Private Ryan

"I don't obsess over grades because grades aren't that difficult to attain."



What would you do To take home an A?



by Corey Williams

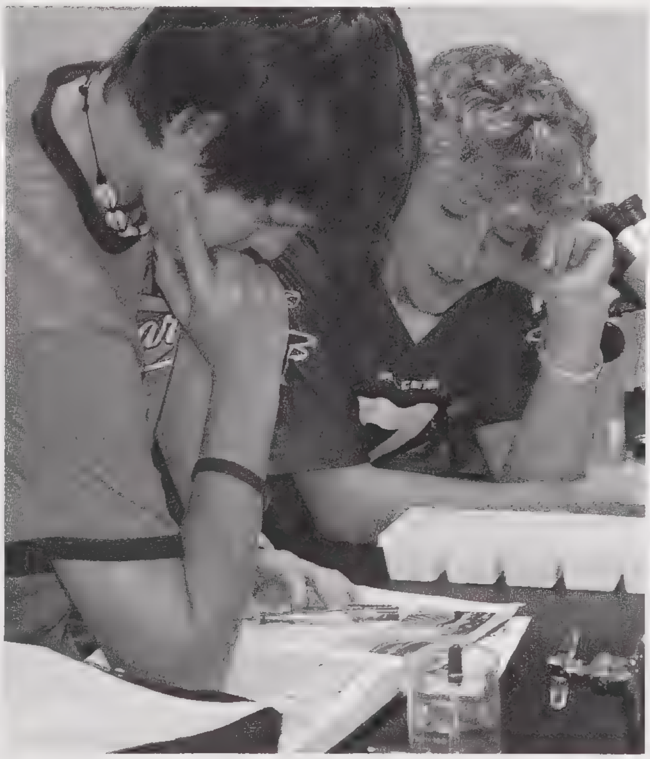
WORK, WORK, WORK! It seems as though that is all school is about. Having so much work can keep you stress out about grades. "Obsessing over grades does not get you anywhere, it only seems to make things even more stressful," says junior, Jamie Lillard who took many AP classes, involved in Keywanettes, and ran cross country. Teenagers today are expected to do a lot more then what use to be expected of them. Which makes school and extracurricular activities hard to keep up with and a bit overwhelming.

> "Obsessing over grades does not get you anywhere. It only seems to make things even more stressful."

School and grades can be stressful, students find many ways to manage or reduce stress. "When I get stressed I like to listen to Rock N' Roll music or relax and watch Nascar," explains sophomore Drew Walters. Another way other then music and TV is exercise, which releases endorphins and relaxes the body. Others choose to hang out with friends or just take a break from work and just call a friend up.

Obsessing over grades can be a good and bad thing. There is a point where it's too much obsessing and that's when you start to really stress out and can cause many problems. There is no reason to be this stressed when there are so many things you can do to reduce it. Peers, teachers, and counselors can help you to manage your stress and time management habits. The good thing about obsessing over grades is showing you have goals and have things in mind for the future.

Some people think it's not cool to get good grades but it's something that is important for a bright future. Bad grades are sometimes a form of carelessness or just too much going on you can't handle it. No matter what there are things you can do.



One mineral after another. Freshmen, Hunter Enloe and Thomas Drye do a lab in Mr. Weast Earth Enviormental class on minerals. Photo by B. Griffith

it's all in the wrist:

Getting it on paper

by Naomi Mason

A brief and informal record also: a written or printed comment or explanation. This is the definition of a note.

All teachers have their own unique way of making students records classroom notes. Krystal Gibbens, junior, said "on the overhead or on the board is the most common way my teachers make me take notes." Most teachers make students write tons of notes. "This is so teachers can frustrate us because we write ALL those notes and we only use half for the test," said junior, Brittany McGlasson.

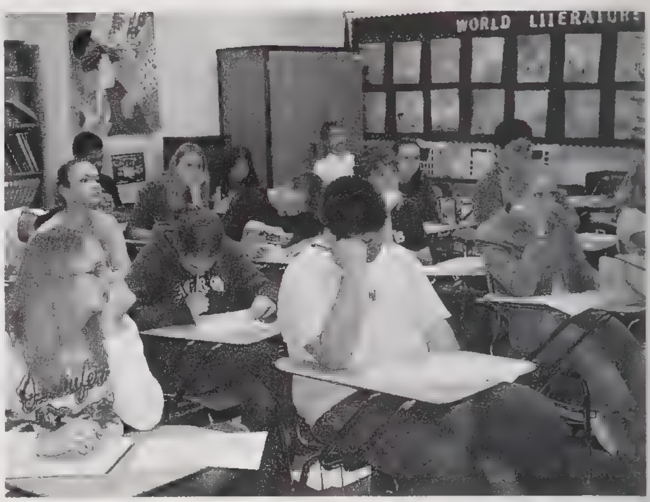
Brittany also said, "They're too long, too messy, and really annoying." Most students in this school believe notes can be aggravating and at times, pointless to spent time on writing. Craig Brevard, senior, said, "I don't mind copying them most of the time except always having to write them down gets on my nerves." Brittany also commented, "I enjoy taking notes because it takes up a lot of the class period just copying rather than doing work".

> "They're too long, too messy, and really not worth taking."

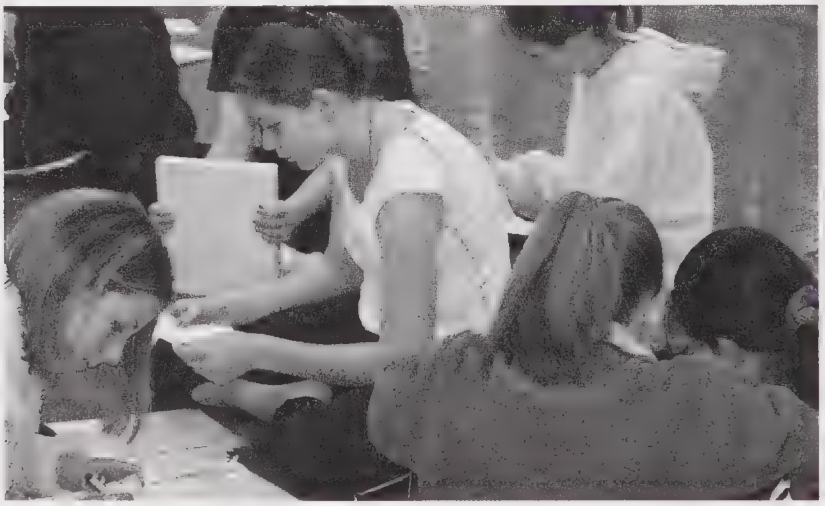
"If the teachers made copies to give us instead of us having to copy them ourselves, it would be a lot easier." JJ Johnson, sophomore, believes this because he thinks students could just follow along and listen instead of copying with no concentration needed. In most colleges, the professor prints out all the notes for the semester to make available to each student on the internet or to be purchased with their textbook. Then, throughout the semester, as he or she reviews each section or chapter, the students follow along and make keynotes of what was taught. Some believe this might help throughout high school too except for the fact that college gets more notes than high school. Jennifer Risado, freshman, said, "writing only what's most important and making them shorter would make notes easier."

The overall idea of taking notes is useful in the sense of teaching, but most thought it could be improved to help each students' learning styles.

Jennifer Wolfe writes her notes and pays attention while the student beside her thinks hard about the English homework. Photo by B. Griffith



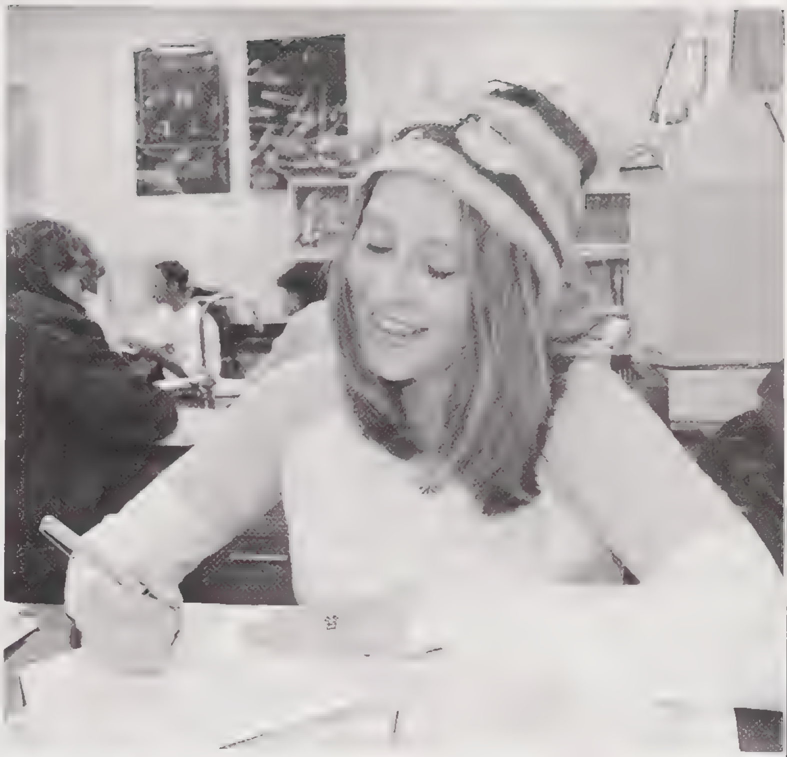
During Dance class, students pile up on their notes. They get a break from dancing but they'll never get a break from their English skills. Photo by C. Stevens



While the rest of her class listens attentively, Latesha Allen writes a letter to a friend. Writing notes is hard to catch because it mimics paying attention. Photo by C. Stevens

Eager to learn. Kristen Glass catches up on her classroom notes as all the other students work on lab experiments. Photo by B. Griffith

Goofing off in class. Justin Rhodes, Pierson Taylor, and Robert Morales are supposed to be copying their notes but instead, they pose for a glamour shot. Photo by Excalibur



Caught in the act! A student in Coach Coren's class writes a note while they are supposed to be paying attention to the class video. Photo by C. Stevens

Concentrating really hard on their math equations, Tom Carnot and Juana Diaz do their work in math while James Gibbs stares off into space. Photo by Excalibur Staff

Austin Tiller

Age: 16

Height: 6'2"

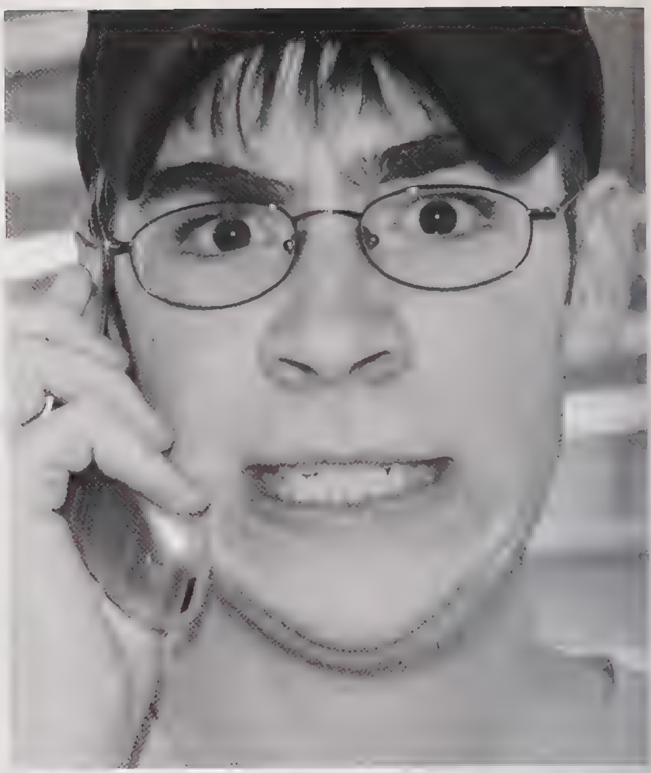
Favorite Food: Gummy Bears

Favorite Music: Led Zepplin

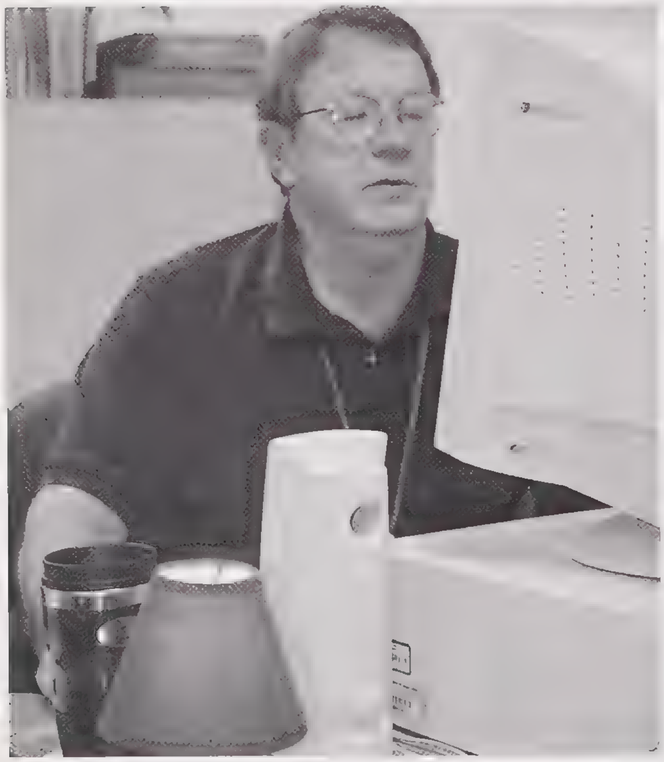
Favorite Game: Halo 2

Favorite Game System: XBOX

Video games are just plain fun; there's no other way to describe them.



Jed Freeman, Sean Owen, Steven Hart, Justin Cauble, and Austin Tiller play a 'friendly' game of "Halo2." Photo by B. Griffith.

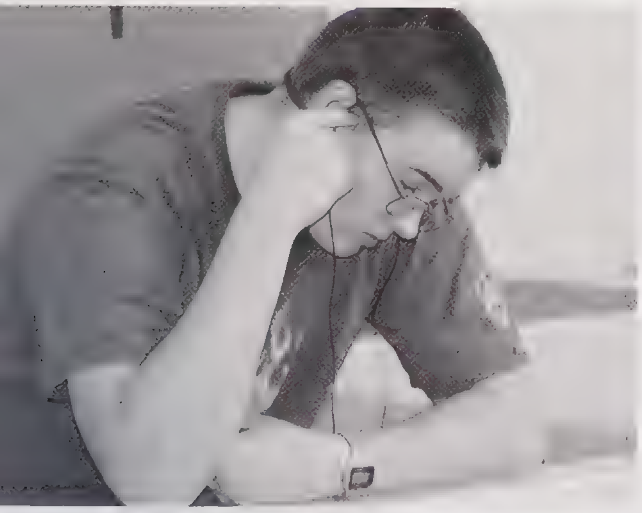


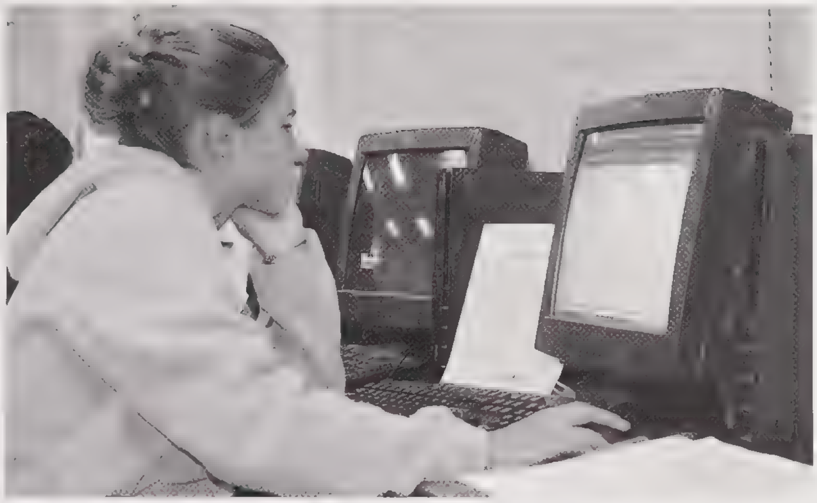
Mr. Edwards uses his computers in the Career center to help students plan thier future, can you feel the love. Photo by Billy Griffith.

Austin Tiller is the perfect Master Chief, are you up to the challenge to try and stop him? Photo courtesy of Austin Tiller.

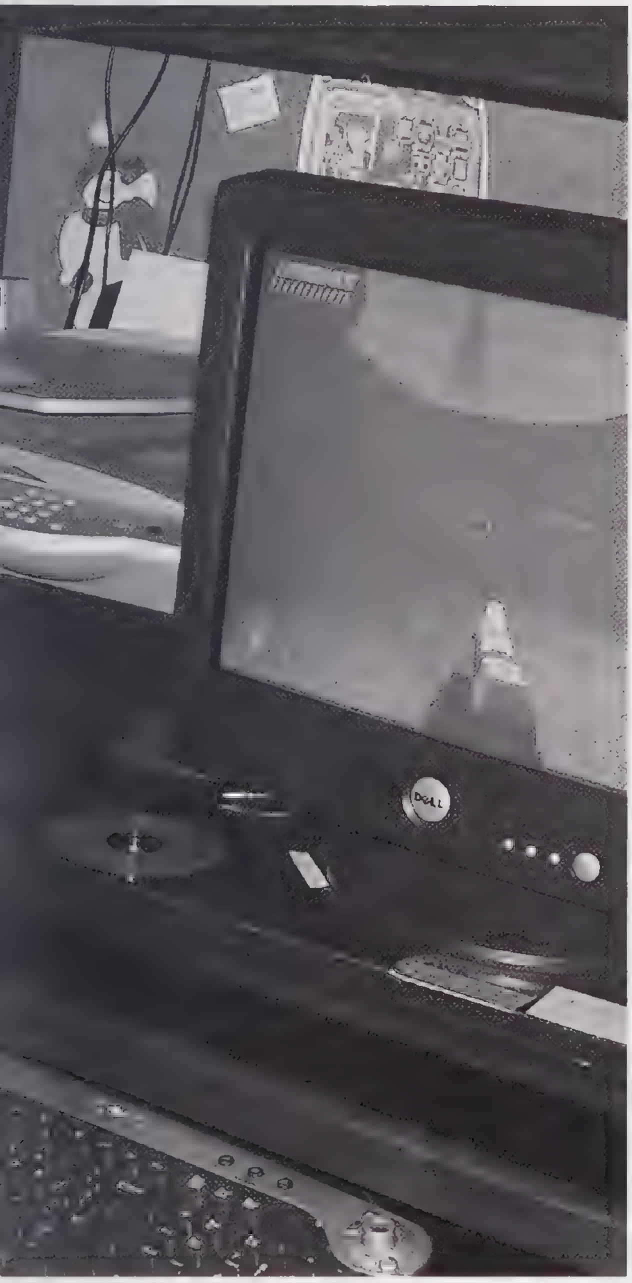
Sean Owen got caught using his cell phone during class his expression explains everything Photo by B. Griffith

Chad Stevens Listens to his CD Player during class changes the photographer catches him on the crime scene. Photo by B. Griffith





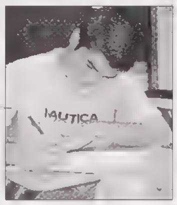
Aubrey Day uses a computer from Ms. Jackson's room to finish the rest of her homeork during homeroom. Photo by B. Griffith



Getting into the Digital Age

It grows every year and we can't live without it

by George McKee



The sound of Windows starting was familiar to many people, whether they have a computer at home or not. Students at school always get chances to use a computer at school to work on thier homework. The school gave students the oportunity to use computers to do internet researh, do their homework, or research future careers in the career center.

But even those who don't like using computers at school can't escape technology. Many students have a Playstation 2 or other game system. They like to escape the pressure of school life by getting "into" the game. "Halo 2 was the best game ever made on XBOX" Sophomore Austin Tiller said. "It is not the awesome graphics that that amazes you the most, it is the shear awsomeness of multiplayer." Halo 2 was just one game this year that serious gamers enjoyed. Metal Gear Solid 3 Snake Eater came out right after Halo 2; some students say its story was better than Halo 2.

"Halo 2 was the best game ever made on XBOX."

Other forms of technology also had their places. Students used palm pilots and graphing calculators in class, begged or borrowed laptop computers from parents, and hid their cell phones, cd players, gameboys, I-Pods, and other personal electronic devices from teachers and administrators. Learning how to access technology may not have been part of their parent's curriculum, but today's teens grew up in the digital age, and they know that knowing how to interface with electronics is only going to become more important as they take their places in the world.

Once the rules are broken, there's no turning back

by Billy Griffith

Sit down, no food or drink, take that hat off, these rules sound familiar. Unfortunately, all students must abide by rules, no matter how hard they fight the system.

School rules exist for many reasons. Students' only thought about rules is to get rid of them. Teachers, on the other hand, need rules to allow them to keep control of the classroom and give each student an education. Senior Kristen Glass commented, "I follow school rules because I do not want to get in trouble , and if I do then I will get kicked out of Allied Health, and then I won't get my certifaction". Sophomore Dakota Benson said, "I follow school rules to go along with the school's policy and so I can get into college". Each student learns to cope with the rules and their potential consequences.

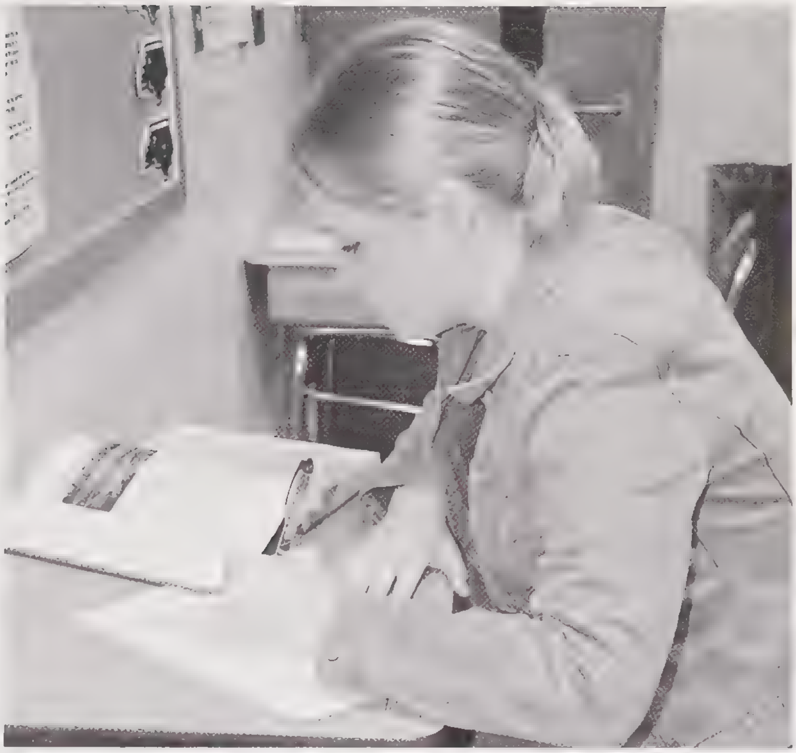
Most students agree that the worst school rule is the clothing issue. Students feel that, "clothing allows each student to represent him or her and show what kind of person they truly are, and they do not think that the school should step into that issue," said Kristen Glass. Dakota, on the other hand, feels that the dress code needs to become stricter to a certain extent of course, and I feel that they should not show to much body."

Students' only thought about rules is to get rid of them.

Each teacher's rules incorporate what they feel is appropriate to maintain order. Each teacher deals with disciplinary issues in their own way. Students are usually aware of how each teacher will react when a rule is broken, but some teachers can shock them. Teachers try to mix up their disciplinary procedures to keep students on their toes.

No matter how hard a student complains, there will always be school rules to abide. When students follow school and even classroom rules, it makes everyone's job a lot easier.

Mr. Summey encourages students by making them do rigorous exercises. Every day, each "prisoner" must do these before doing class work. Photo by B. Griffith.

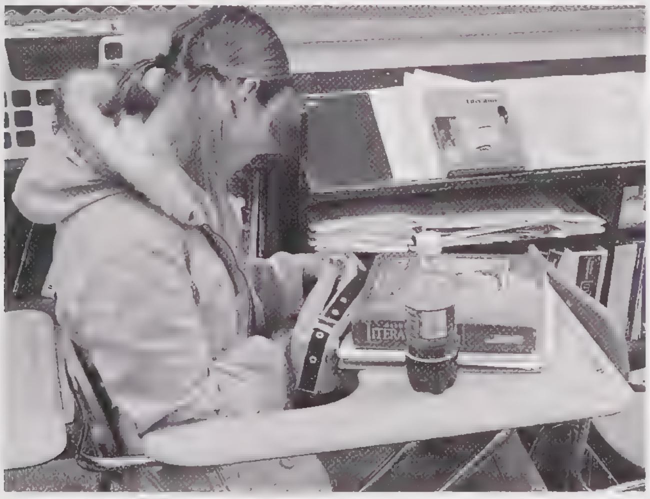


Ginny Jackson sits in ISS, and does nothing but her work, so she does not have to feel the wrath of Summey. She was dubbed the Queen of ISS. Photo by B. Griffith.

Cameron Heatherly sits outside of his class because he did not do the previous nights homework. He has to quickly read a book before going back in. Photo by B. Griffith.

Mr. Summey stands strong while protecting his ISS pad. Now teachers can send a student to ISS for the remainder of the period. Photo by B. Griffith

Morgan Cousins gets so bored in her english class, she decides to text message a friend. Photo by K. Hester



The most common but dreaded school rules

1 Hats are not to be worn in school

2 No cell phone use during school hours

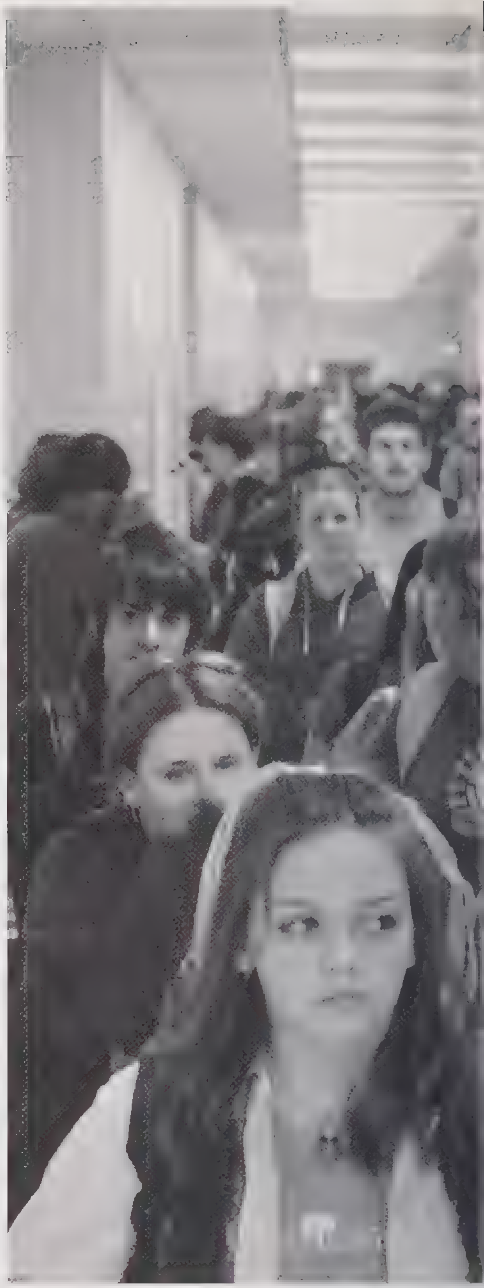
3 No food or drink in the class room

4 No skateboards are allowed on campus.

5 Students have to go to ISS after 4 tardies to any class

Jeremy Sinclaire takes a time-out to say "hey" to everyone. Students like to go through class changes to catch up with their friends. Photo by B. Griffith

Students hurry to get to the buses when the final bell rings. Some students say that it is a little hard to go to their locker and then hurry to the bus. Photo by B. Griffith



Students rush to the cafeteria, then wait in line to receive their food. A lot of students think lunches should be longer. Photo by B Griffith

Josalyn Batemon and Justin Shrader patiently walk to get to their classes on time. Some students say it is hard to get to class within 5 minutes. Photo by B. Griffith

Keep Moving!

by Lauren Cannon

Is the school too crowded?

Get out of the way

> "The school isn't too crowded. It just isn't big enough."

Move it on over. Every year, the hall gets more and more crowded with new arrivals. Most of the problem occurs in the hallways and the lunchroom "The school is too crowded," said junior Nathaniel White. Not everybody agrees with Nathaniel. "The school isn't too crowded. It just isn't big enough," commented Cara Norris, sophomore. So what should be done about the school being too crowded?

Here is what the higher authority thinks. "The school is too small for the number of students and the hallways are too narrow," said Ms. Friend, principal.

Several possible solutions to the problem of crowded hallways exist. The district could add on to the school, by building more classrooms. Also, maybe the senior class could be let out first, (as always) then the juniors. After them, the sophomores, then freshman should be let out. Also, another solution the principle suggested was that everyone could get to class on time.

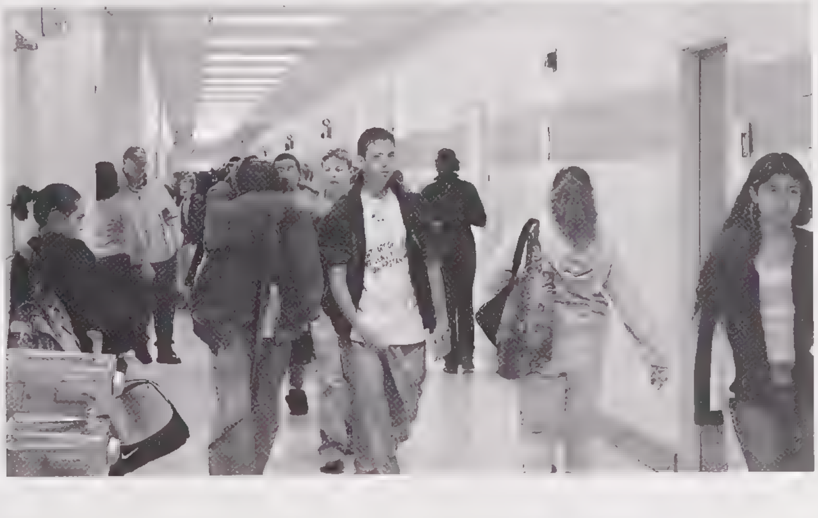
The lunchroom was also a crowded area. Some students said that they go to lunch; go through the line and by the time they sit down, the bell rings for everyone to go back to class. Then everybody is still hungry or late to class. Is there a solution to the problem? Yes. We could add more time to each lunch. "More lines, faster checkouts, would probably help," said Brooke Taylor, sophomore.

Maybe as the years go by, the school will get less crowded, but probably not. The school may be crowded, but having everybody here is what makes us one big family.

Students rush to make it to class before the tardy bell rings. Students also use class changes to catch up on any tasks that they need to get done. Photo by B. Griffith

Tyler Walker and Aubrey Day walk and talk in the commons area during lunch time. Students enjoyhaving free time during lunch. Photo by B. Griffith

During second lunch, students are just starting to sit down to eat their lunch. On some days, it takes the whole lunch time to get their food. Photo by B. Griffith



Spanning The Gap

By Justin Cauble

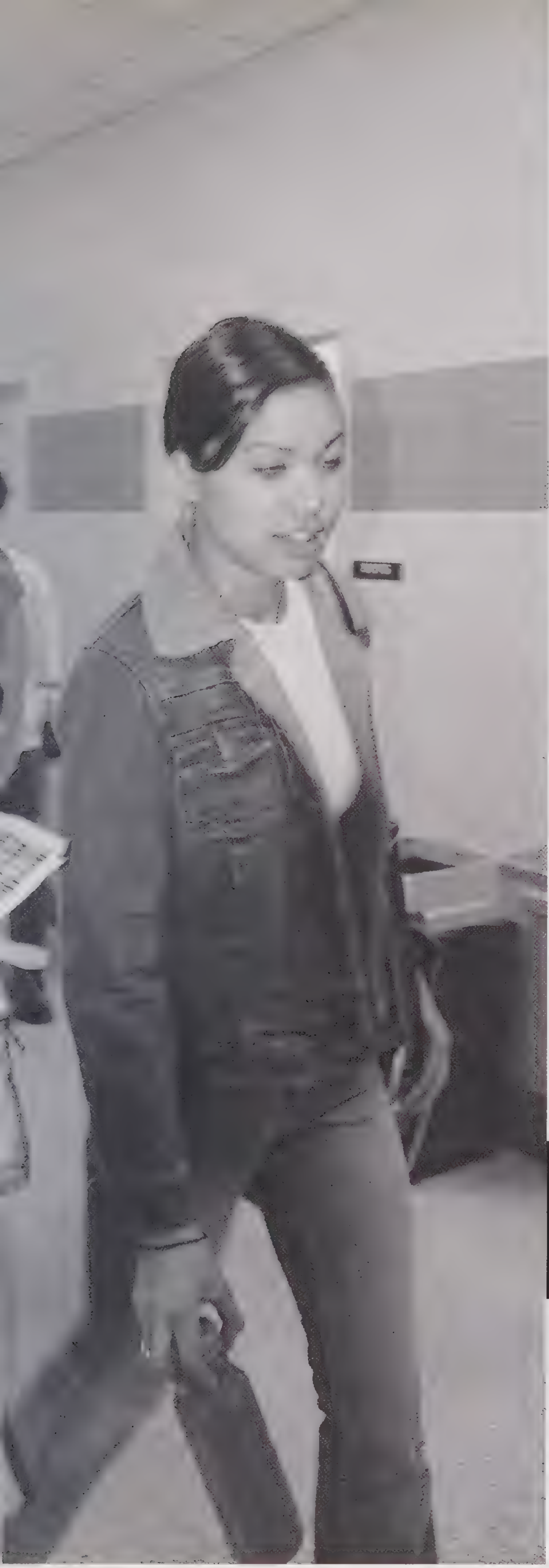
Different faces, different places. At North High we are a melting pot. We are fortunate enough, to have people from other countries, and people of different races, we have hispanics, blacks, asians and many more.

We span the cultural gap every time we walk through the doors of school. When we talk to someone, we span the gap by opening our minds to the differences that make us all who we are.

We span the age gap when an upper-classman talks to an under-classman. Although the age difference is not that vast, the maturity and knowledge level is. So, giving advice helps us to span the gap.

We span the gap everday, everytime we open our mouths. So when we span the gap we are really doing nothing more than making friends.

Jordan Griffin and Maki Maeda laugh in Ms. Nelson's 2nd period. Classes with mixed grade levels let students meet people older or younger than themselves. Photo by B. Griffith



Molly Silva and Robin D'Augusta get caught of guard. These two seniors stay active in sports and clubs, but still manage to have time to talk. Photo by B. Griffith

Bethany Garmon and Brittany Jones get their photo snapped on the way to 3rd period. Both girls are very active in clubs and organizations while still keeping their grade point averages high. Photo by B. Griffith

Ashley Ramirez and Julie Neal head for first period together. Freshmen may start the year a little nervous about high school, but they soon find their feet. Photo by B. Griffith

How teachers deal with school stress

By: Anahi Perez

Teachers have only seven hours during the school day plus one hour before and after school to handle all the work related to teaching. Of these 8 hours, only 90 minutes was the teachers planning period, when they spent time grading papers, planning lessons, and doing other work that students never saw them do.

Jennifer Mirkovic, Junior, and Natalie Hudgins, Senior, both agreed that students usually knew when teachers were stressed. Some reasons they gave were, "You can tell when teachers are mad because they're in a bad mood," Natalie responded. Jennifer said, "teachers are just like students; we can tell when teachers are stressed." Rachael Childs, English teacher, added, "Yeah students know everything, it's like they can sense the teachers are stressed."

"Teachers are just like students."

Many Students didn't realize it, but teachers also had a stressful time during school, so many teachers found a "method" to deal with stress. "I usually sit down at my desk and take deep breaths, and the girls will usually know when I'm mad and they do their work" said Stacie Banfield, P.E. teacher. Ms. Banfield also exercises and takes a kick boxing class to relieve her from stress of school life.

Mr. Fred Gore, Science teacher, on the other hand felt stressed when he did not meet his expectations. A way Mr. Gore relaxed was by driving around mountain roads in his Miata, with the top down.

Ms. Childs also mentioned she didn't get stressed during school hours as much, but when she does, she does yogain her office. "It usually helps" said Ms. Childs.

However, not all school days proved to be bright and beautiful, stress relievers became a way to cope with daily stress.

Brenda Game, teacher's aide
Frank Allen, Security Officer
Kathryn Bailey, French
Stacie Banfield, P.E.
Anne Beckett, Spanish

Randy Blankenship, Drivers Education
Debbie Byorick, Theater
Dot Case, Social Studies
Rachel Childs, English
Ronnie Coren, Social Studies

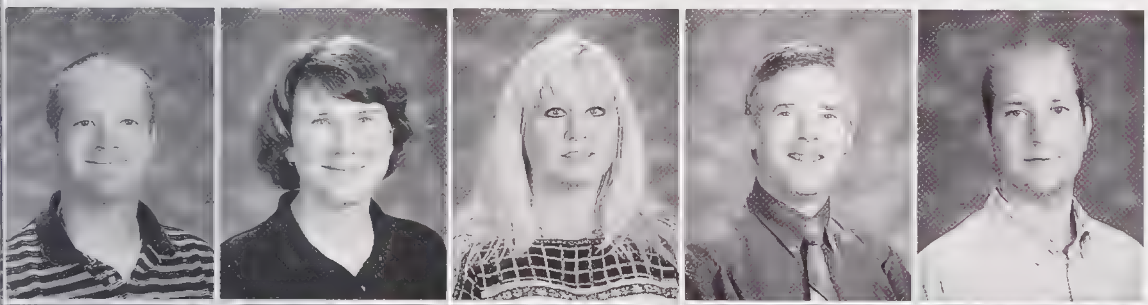
Janet Edney, Math
Dick Edwards, Career Center
Audra Faulkner, Exceptional
Doran Figart, Substitute
Wendy Fletcher, E.S.L.

Despite Fran Nelson, English teacher, hectic Schedule. She is always capable of going the extra mile for her students. Photo by B. Griffith.

Trying to do two thing sat once. During Mrs.Childs planning. She goes over her notes and eats a quick snack before getting into her next class. Photo by B. Griffith.

Phillipa Mathis, English teacher reads to her class. Mrs. Mathis teaches freshman english. Photo by B. Griffith.

David Pressley, counselor, takes the time to sit in his office and see what all is left to be done. Photo by B. Griffith.



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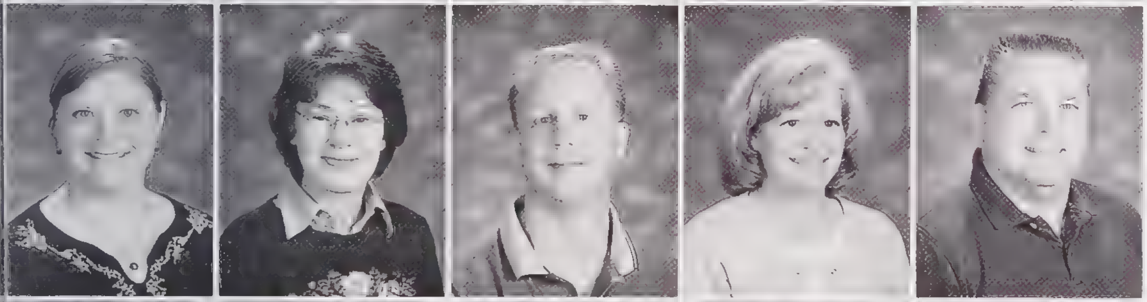

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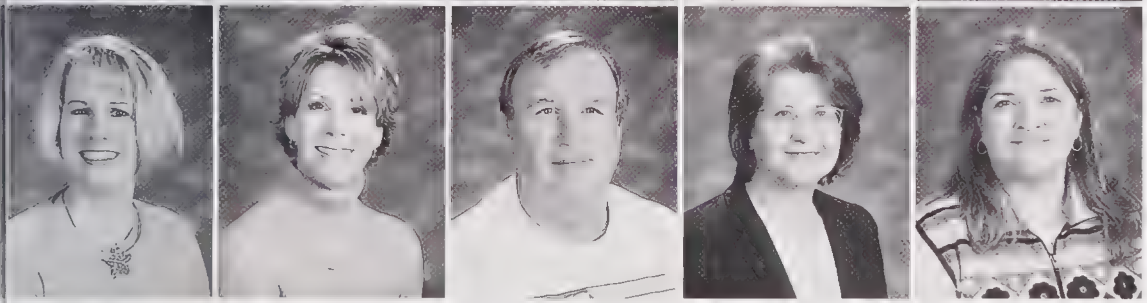
Leslie Hillman, Library Asst.
John Hnatnow, Agriscience



Miram Hood, Asst. Principal
Melissa Hosack, Exceptional
James Howard, P.E.
Elaine Hull, Administration
Michele Jackson, Business

Freedom:

Teachers are just like students inside.

by: Tyler Sain

Although most students saw teachers as boring people, some teachers had very interesting out of school lives.

Dylan King , Biology teacher at North Henderson said, “I enjoy white water kayaking, mountain biking, and hiking. I enjoy many outdoor activities because I love the outdoors, and I love going fast.”

Many teachers enjoyed themselves by entertaining themselves with hobbies or extreme activities.

April Nichols, English teacher, said, “I love going to the beach, and spending time with my friends and family. I love to get away and leave all my stress behind me.”

> “Teachers have fun too.”

Even though teachers went to school during work hours, many of them enjoyed going on vacation and being outdoors, rather than being cooped up in the school building.

There were many memories that teachers would always cherish when they were away from school such as, Ms. Nichols spending time with the people she loves.

Though teachers sometimes seemed boring when they were talking about grammar and such, they still led normal lives just like an average student. Teachers are involved in their own unique activities that they enjoy.

Ms. Faulkner is skydiving from miles up in the sky with an instructor. Many faculty members play hard when they're away from school. Photo courtesy of A. Faulkner

Pat Johnston, Strings
Patrice Justus, Dance
Sloan Kass, Exceptional
Eddy Kieffer, Exceptional
Dylan King, Science

Lisa King, Business
Kathey Lancaster, Vocational
Sylvia Langgaard, Exceptional
Kathy Lanning, Administrator
Pat Lemmons, Librarian

John Loving, English
Teresa Lyda, Exceptional
Mollie Lytle, Vocational
Luke Manuel, Social Studies
Mary Martin, Exceptional

Phillippa Mathis, English
Leslie Messer, Exceptional
Fran Nelson, English
April Nichols, English
Charlotte Osterman, English

David Pace, Carpentry
Nancy Peace, Business
Stephen Peterson, Math
Gary Pittillo, Science
David Pressley, Guidance

Kathy Pryor, Nursing
Scott Rhodes, P.E.
Bill Rice, Social Studies
Pamela Schlueter, Spanish
Tonya Shook, Exceptional

Amy Singletary, Marketing
Jimmy Summey, ISS
Pam Sutton, Science
Buck Tanner, Guidance
Skip Taylor, P.E.

Suzanne Taylor, Math
Ann Thomas, Exceptional
Ashley Toler, Science
Heang Uy, Social Studies
Maryann Warren, Chorus

Ken Weast, Science
Mary Lou West, English
Sharon Whitted, Math
Jimmy Williams, Social Studies
Rachel Willingham, Math

Class of 2008 says Give us some Room

by Sean Owen

> "The biggest difference between Apple Valley and here is there is so much more freedom up here"

They were the new blood, the newest arrivals to the High school life. In 2003 they were the kings of the Mountain at Apple Valley. This year they fell back to the lowest rung on the ladder.

Freshmen were beginning the 4 year climb to being those proverbial kings once again. 265 freshmen walked the halls this past year. "The biggest difference between Apple Valley and here is there is so much more freedom up here" Brittany Wilson gave her views on the change. The freshmen elected Josh Goldstein as their President and Courtney Barnwell as their Vice-President.

Freshmen didn't have much room for electives because they had so many required classes. Earth-Environmental Science, World History, One of many options in Algebra, English 1, and Physical Education. This left only room for 3 electives. Art, Band, Principals of Business, Digital Communications, and other vocational classes were some of their options.

The Freshmen of 2004-2005 were in for a four year ride that will never be forgotten.

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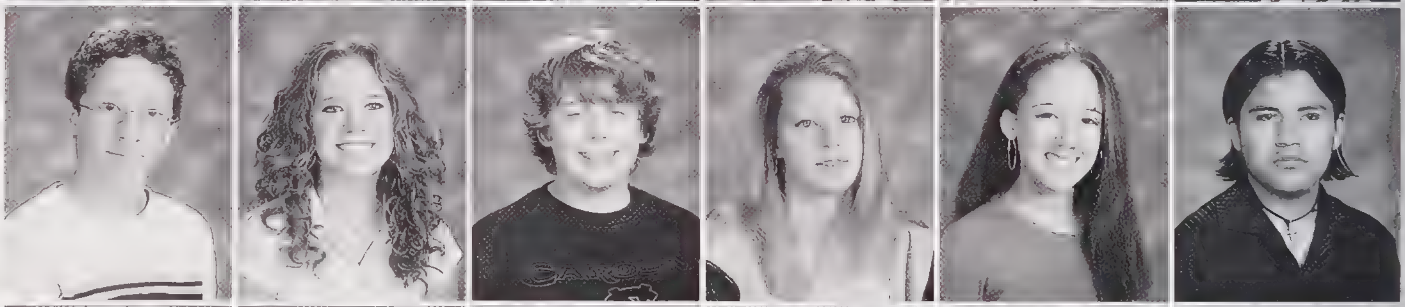
Jacob Alexander
Latesha Allen
Michael Alvarez
Josh Anderson



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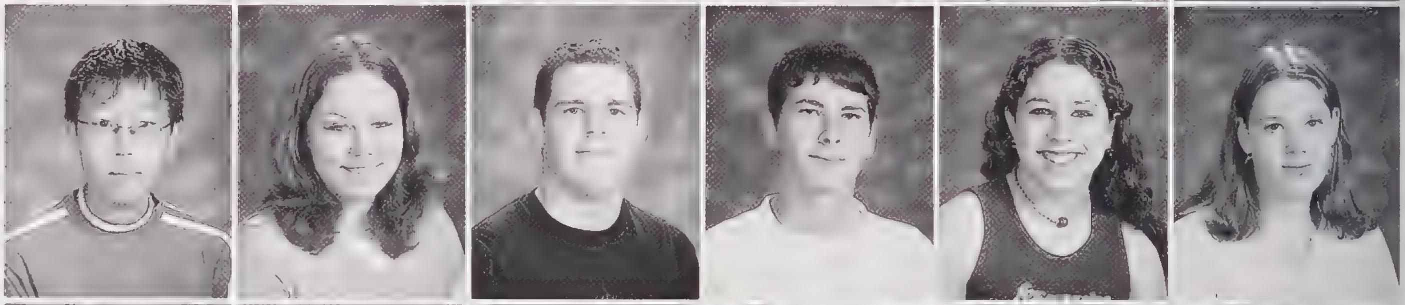

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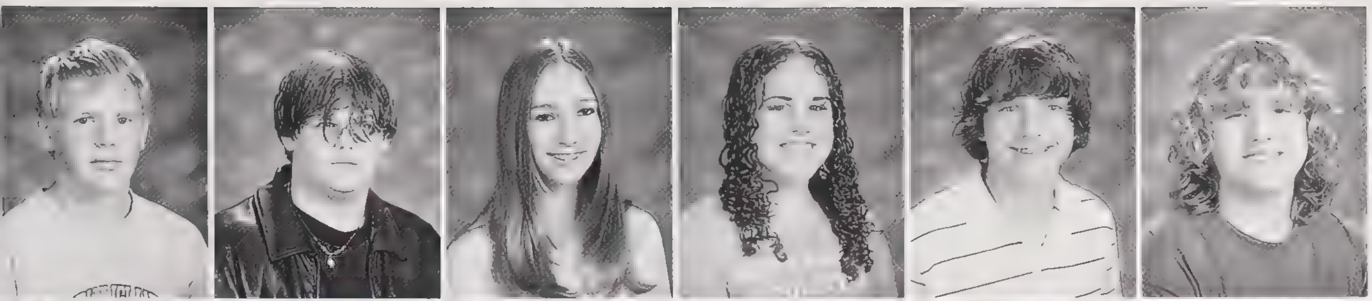

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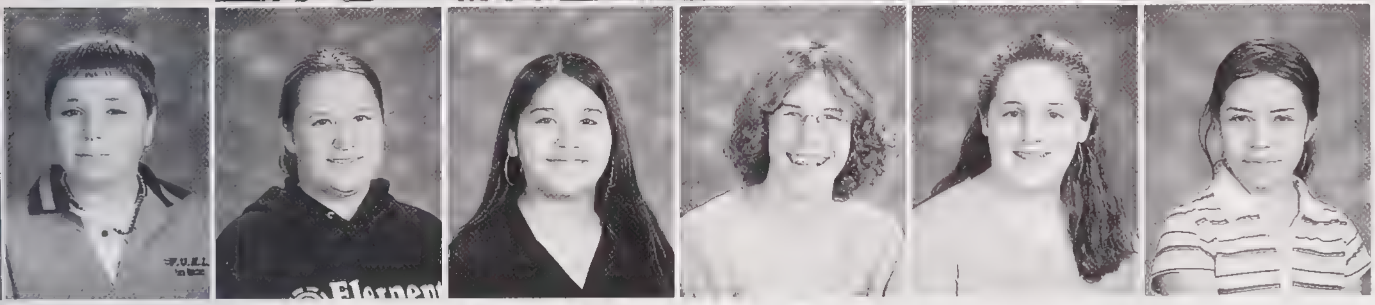

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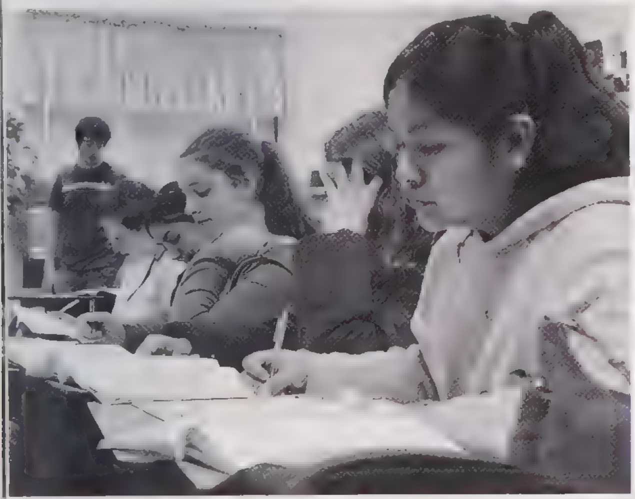
Anna Clayton
Tania Cleto
Chris Condrey
Kayla Corn
Anayeli Corral

Freshmen Vice President Courtney Barnwell walks down the hall preparing to go to World History. Photo by B. Griffith

Freshmen go to work on their algebra homework so they dont have to do it at home. This was a popular course of action among Freshmen. Photo by B. Griffith

Joel Tindle and Seth Baldwin discuss the dress code before 2nd period. The dress code is really not that big of a change from Apple Valley. Photo by B. Griffith



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Jose Diaz
Mattie Drake
Thomas Drye
Sterling Ducker
David Dudley

Brandon Dunning
Kendall Edwards
Joshua Embler
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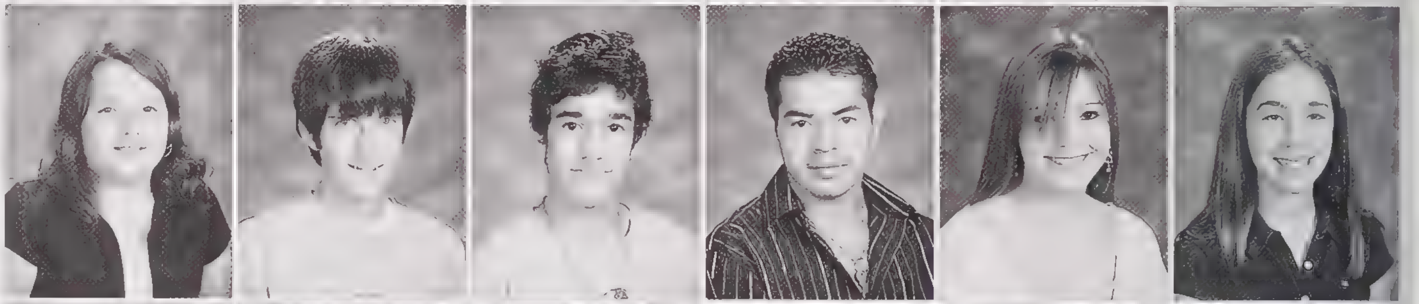

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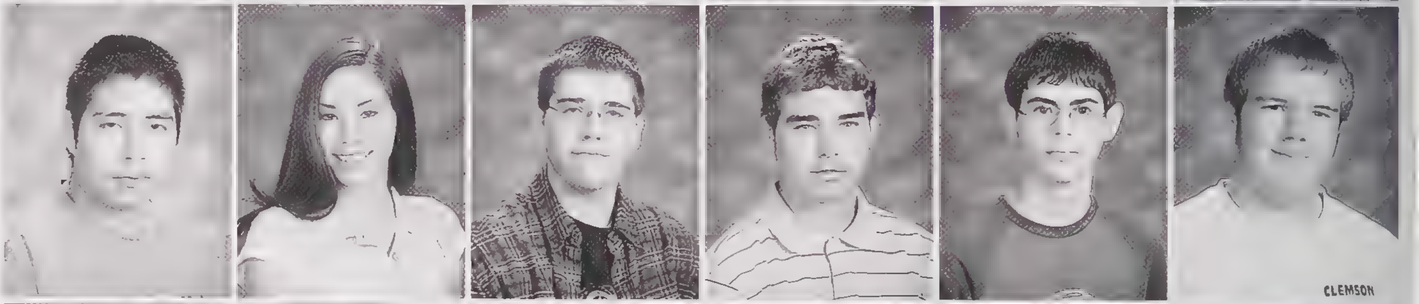

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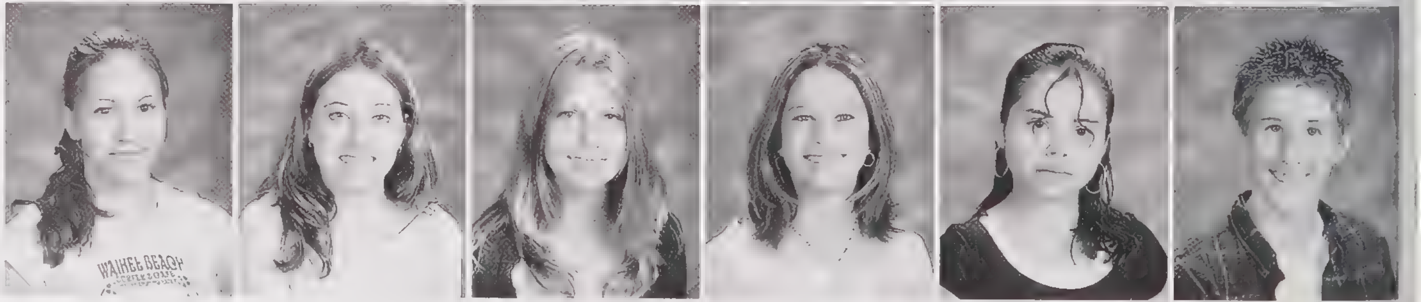


Differences:

Going from middle to high

By: Tara Ward

Dexter Blackwell listens to Mr. Weast describing a science experiment. Sometimes students can get very distracted and not hear the teacher. Photo by B. Griffith

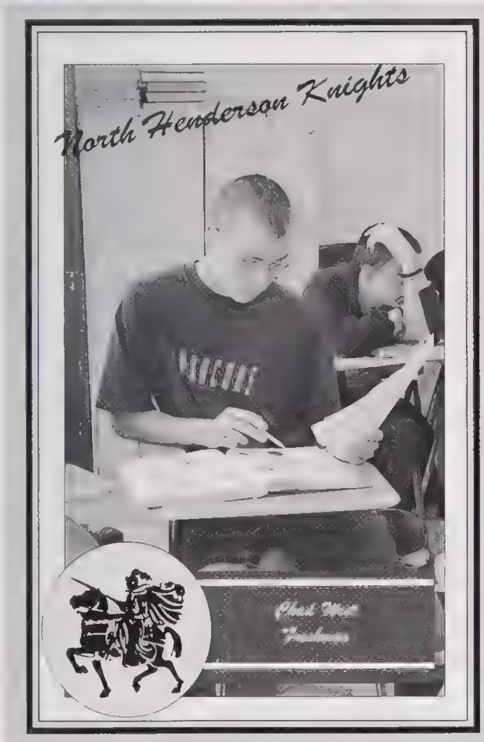
Beeeeeeep! It was the last bell the rising freshmen would ever hear in middle school. It was now summer break and time to start preparing for their freshmen year at North Henderson High School.

As the last night of summer came to an end, the freshmen were getting nervous. What do I wear? Where do I go in the morning? What if my teachers are mean? These were all questions running through their mind.

On the morning of August fifth the freshmen walked down the halls trying to find their first period classrooms. "I though I was going to get lost," said freshman Jessica Green. She wasn't the only one. All freshmen were worried about getting lost and getting to class on time. But once all freshmen were here for a couple of days, they became comfortable with the size of the school. They realized all the freedom they had in high school that they never had in middle school. " I like it better than Apple Valley," replied freshman Brian Ray. One freedom all the freshman especially like is being able to sit wherever they want at lunch.

Freshmen have different opinions of what they think about high school, "High school rules and teachers are more strict," said freshman Phillip Beal. From a teacher's point of view, Miss Nichols says, " I feel that teachers are strict to prepare students for all the rigors of the world they will face in the future." Sometimes changes can be hard on people. Going from middle school to high school is a huge change all students must go through.

Stress is one word that linger throughout high school. Freshman Andy Orr said, " High school is more stressful than middle school, because you have to be to class on time and the halls are longer, which makes it harder to get to class on time." One big change freshmen encounter is having classes with upperclassmen. One freshman commented that he was really nervous about having classes with upperclassmen, but it wasn't as bad as he thought it would be. No one really pays attention to the different grade levels in their class. Their main priority is to get their work done and pass the class. So after it's all been said and done, most freshmen agree high school isn't as scary as they thought it would be. The good out weighs the bad, and once again the freshman of 2004-2005 survived their first year at North and were glad to go on to their sophomore year.



Chad West

Age: 13

Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Band: Nirvana

Favorite Movie: Happy Gilmore

Favorite Quote: "If God takes life, then God is an indian giver." Modest Mouse

Big Difference in H.S. from M.S. : Just four classes in a day.

Freshmen: Where they Hang Out

by Tara Ward

Okay, school's out, and where do I go? That was a question that many students had to consider after school and on weekends.

There are many different choices to choose from when deciding where to spend the afternoons and weekends. Freshman Nicole Hannah said, "I like to hang out at the mall with my friends." On the other hand, Freshman Justin Rhodes said he liked to, "cruise Patton with my friends; I like the hot girls and cool cars."

Everyone had their own decision on where they wanted to spend their afternoons and weekends. Some chose to just be with friends while others liked groups. Freshman Josh Anderson said he chose to hang out at his friend Kyle Honeycutt's house. "I like to just hang out with my friends; I get embarrassed around people I do not know," said Anderson.

After school most students went home, but on weekends went out. Freshman Blanca Mendez said, " After school and on days that I get a chance I like to go to 'The Apartments' and on weekends I go to El Manantial." El Manantial is a club where many people chose to hang out.

So as you can see from all the different places freshmen chose to hang out, it is a hard decision.

Blanca Mendez and Antonia Moreno talk to one another in dance class, they enjoy each other's company. Photo by B. Griffith

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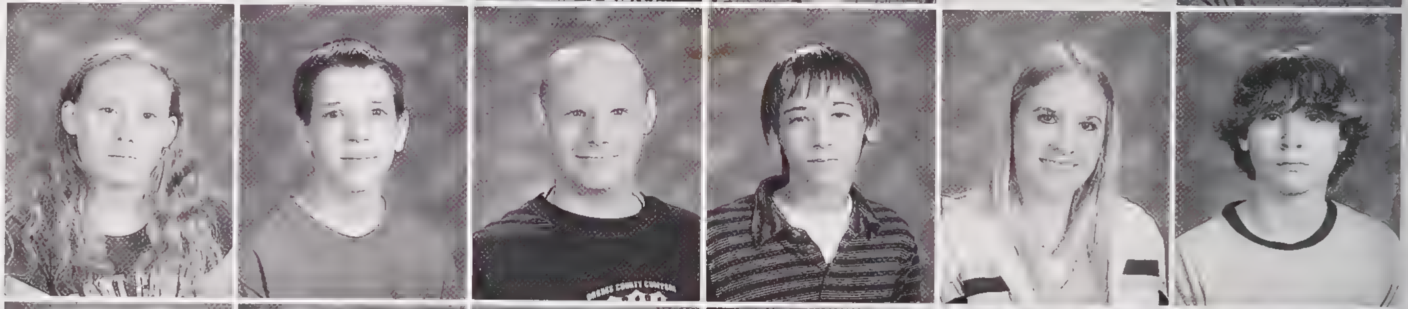
Mike Harwood



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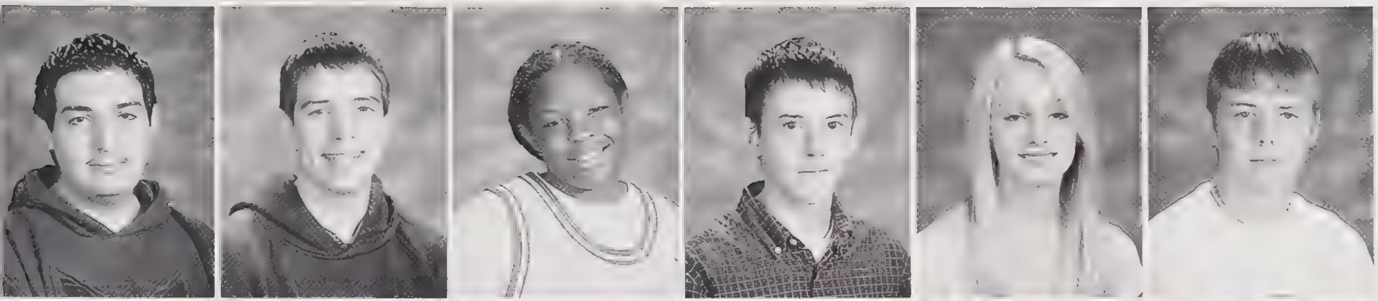

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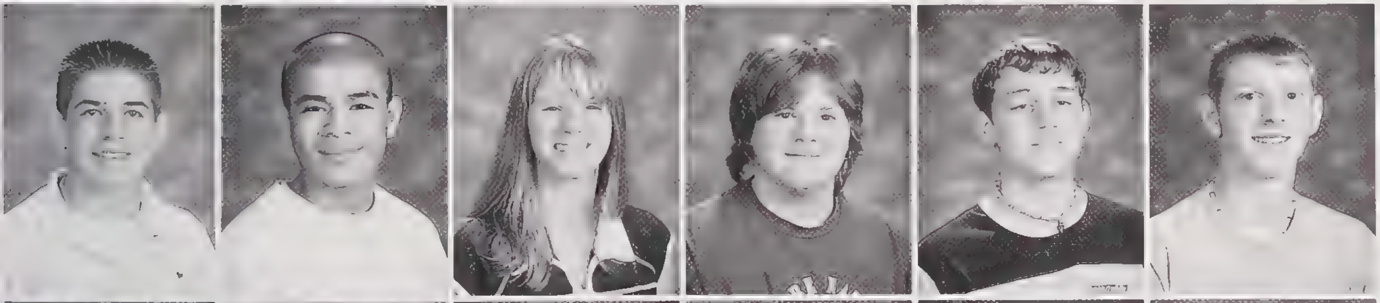

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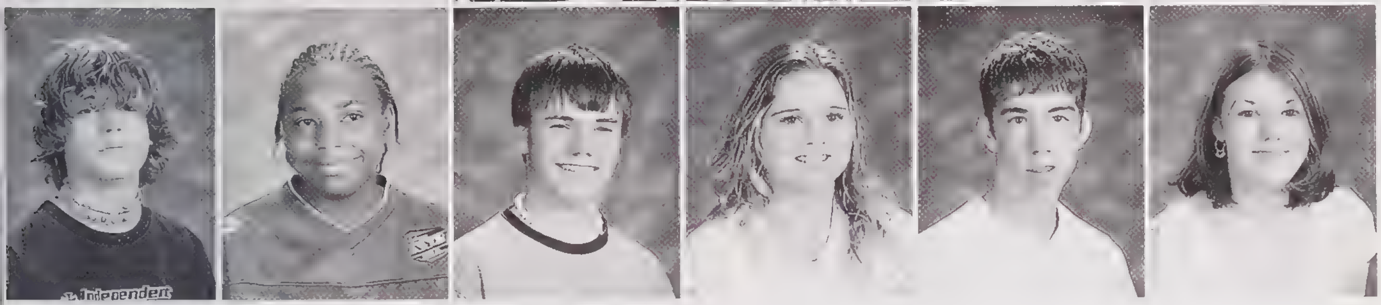

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Lucretia Logan
Michael Lolley
Chelsea Loveday
Sean Lovern
Loretta Ludwig

Heather Niemann, Samantha Veruete, and Kayla Corn read together in their second period. Photo by B. Griffith

"I like the classes, It's fun because it's a whole lot different from middle school."
~Mark Prindle~

"I like Freshman PE with coach Banfield, coach is awesome and the class is fun."
~Brianna Brevard~

"I like all the girls."
~Joe Villafranca~

Jessica Green and Talia Friedman hang out in the theatre one of the classes they chose as an elective. Photo by B. Griffith.

Caitlin Lyda
Chelsea MacEachern
Bianca Maciel
Zachary Marso
Carey Maxwell
Casondra Maybin

Tiffany McFee
Krantz McGlasson
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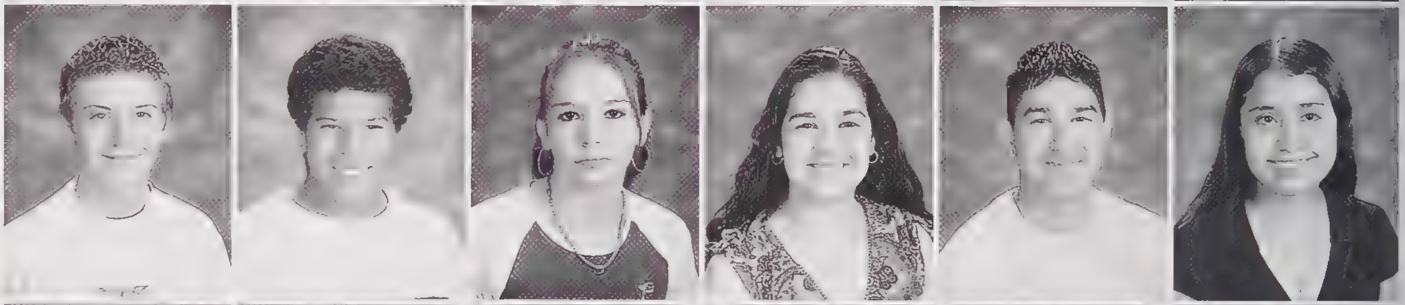

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Steven Neal
Glenn Neese
Jena Newman
Heather Niemann
David Nieto
Courtney Norman

Richelle Norman
Luis Obispo
Lauren Odom
Andy Orr
Amanda Owen
Lindsey Pace

Animals: If you could be any animal what animal would you be?

by Courtney Capps

Freshman Canan Cox takes a break from class to show off his acting skills. If Canan could be any animal he would be a tiger. Canan is involved in many activities, including football. Photo by B. Griffith

"If I could be any animal, I would be a kangaroo because they are very energetic, they bounce around a lot, and they never settle down," said freshman Josh Goldstein.

All students admire a certain animal because they feel like they have some characteristics of that animal. Freshman Chelsea Loveday said, "I'm kinda like a cat because I like to sit around and do nothing. I also like to get lots of attention."

Some students admire an animal and yet have no characteristics of that animal at all. "I would be a mouse if I could be any animal because elephants are afraid of them, but I have no characteristics of a mouse at all," freshman Brian Lamb said.

"My friends would say that I'm more like a tiger than a cat because I can get mean and rowdy," said Chelsea. Some students think one thing about themselves but their friends have a completely different opinion of them. Josh said "My friends might think of me as a bear instead of a kangaroo because I'm big, tuff and when I want to be I can get very mean and scary."

On the other hand some students think one thing about themselves and their friends have the exact same perspective of them. "I think of myself as a Cheetah because they are fast and vicious and my friends would say the same," said Freshman Shomonie Kinard.

Most students would enjoy being a cat because they would get to lay around and be lazy all day. Photo by J. Hester

Huston Moore

Age: 15

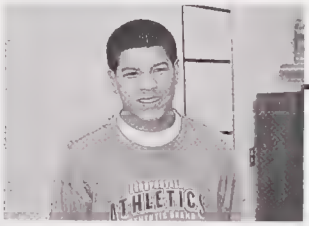
Favorite Color: Yellow

Favorite Band: ACDC

Favorite Movie: 2 Fast 2 Furious

Favorite Quote: "Pockets ain't empty no more."

Favorite animal: Dog



"I would be an eagle because I could fly!"

"I would be a horse because I always wanted one!"

"I would be a squirrel because I would scare kids!"

Where to eat:

Dine in or Dine out

by Austin Tiller

When the lunch bell rings, students were faced with three decisions: to buy a meal, to buy a lunch special from the grill line, or to charge it.

Lunch always causes some kind of dilemma, whether you don't have money for lunch, or any good food to pack your lunch with. With the vending machings shut down at lunch time, options were limited.

The majority of people bought school lunch either because they liked the school lunches or because they didn't want to pack and carry their lunch around all day. The downside though to paying for school lunches were the options of food available.

For those people who did bring their lunch, they either didn't like the school lunches and wanted to bring their own favorite foods, or they thought that the school lunches were way too much money.

When it came to money, a few individuals got to eat for free. "I don't bring my lunch to school because I don't own a lunchbox, and I get free lunch anyways," said Gideon Firpi, freshman. There are many alternatives at lunch time.

> **I don't bring my lunch to school because I don't own a lunchbox**

Cody Calton enjoys a delicious lunch that the cafeteria provided. Many students liked the cafeteria food while others chose other foods. Photo by. B.Griffith

Shaun Pace
Mary Parks
Ravin Patel
Domingo Perez
Elizabeth Pettengill
Kyle Phillips

Evan Pischel
Bryan Pittman
Marya Ponce
Eric Pound
Ethan Pressley
Mark Prindle

Ashley Ramirez
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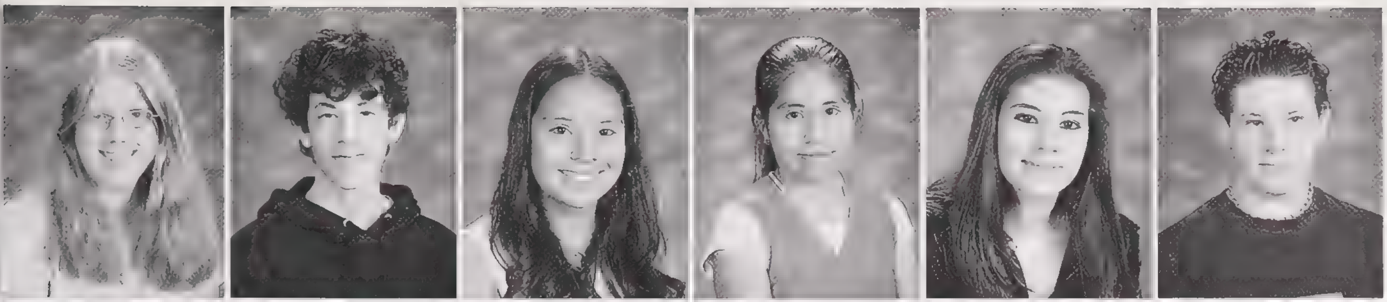

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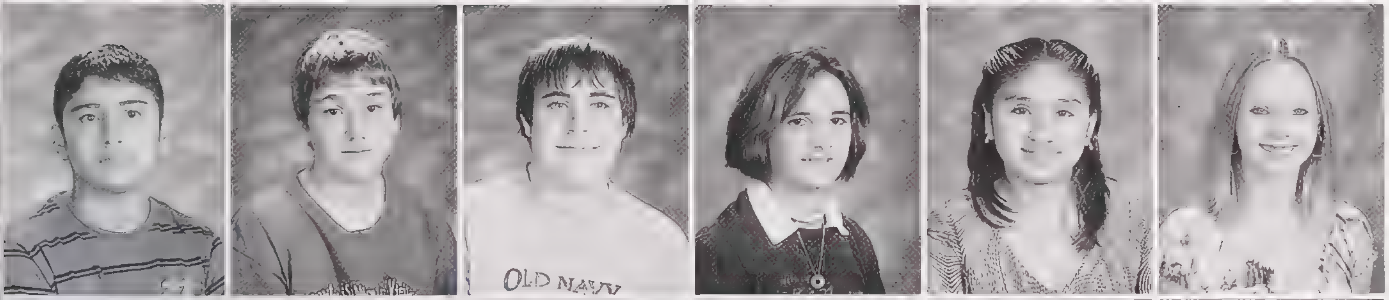

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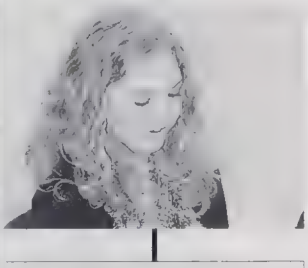

"I have definitely had better."
Chelsea Erskine

"I don't eat it!"
Hannah Williams

"School lunch is OK; I like it."
Lacie Baker

Melissa Robarts looks at her food. Is she thinking "man this stuff is good"? Melissa ate school lunch the majority of the time. Photo by B. Griffith

The Top Five Restaurants Students Prefer

1 McGuffy's

2 Yoshida's

3 Applebee's

4 Flannagan's

Alexander Sprude
Alex Stephenson
Caitlin Stepp
Vicki Stepp
Jessica Stewart
Zachary Stokes
Alicia Stonecypher

Kimberley Sullivan
Jessica Surrett
Candace Swann
Gregory Tabor
Vidal Tan
Victoria Tate
Britney Tatters

Anton Taylor
Kristina Taylor
Kyle Taylor
Megan Taylor
Peirson Taylor
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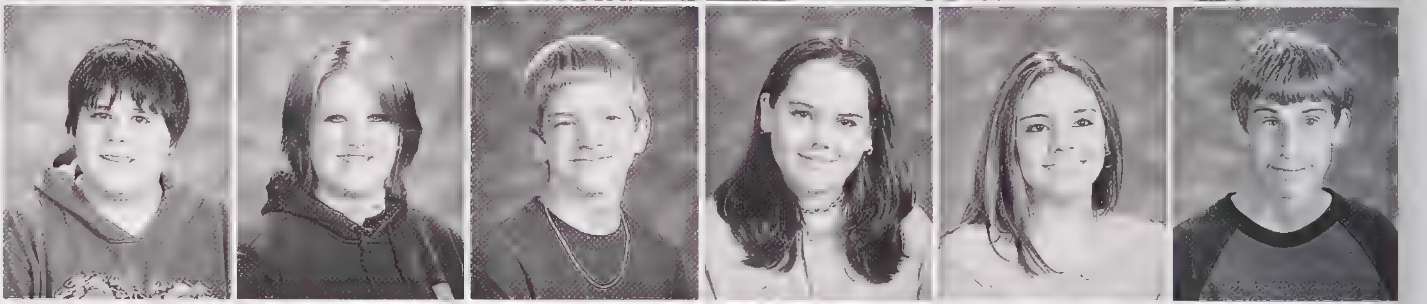

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Justin Wallace

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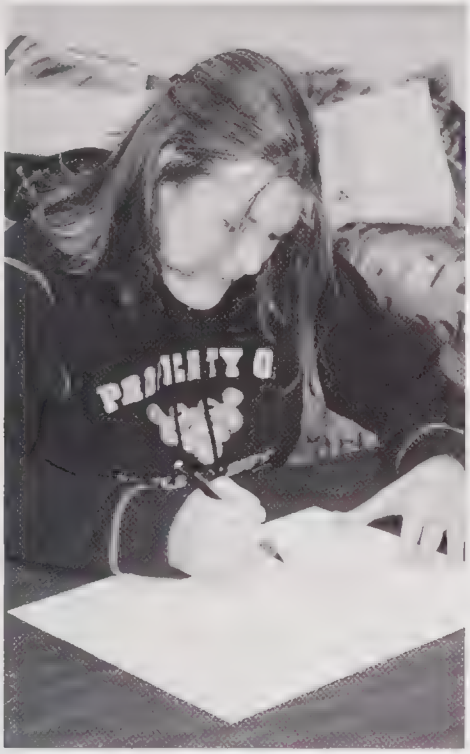
Keith Williams
Amanda Wilson
Brittany Wilson

Jordan Winslow
Nick Wise
Daniel Wright
Jessica Wright
Michael Wuttke
Kristofer Youngblood

Cartoons: Freshmen imagine being a kid again

by Tyler Sain

Loretta Ludwig warms up with a pink panther sweatshirt in art class. Freshmen often wore shirts featuring The Simpsons or Southpark, as well. Photo by K. Hester



"What's up Doc?" At some point in time, everyone watches cartoons, whether it is when they are young or at the present time.

So many cartoons, what to choose from?

Page Crawford, sophomore, said, "When I was younger my favorite cartoon was Rocko's Modern Life because it never failed me laugh." No matter what cartoon someone is watching, usually a character or a scene that makes students laugh over and over again.

"My favorite scene was when Rocko and his friends went to a bald eagle's house in a tree and tried on all of his wigs," said Page.

Super Powers, Human Turtles, and comedians can all be interesting cartoon characters. Nothing gets any better than sitting down and watching an episode of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.

Senior Chipper Sinclair said, "Garfield always makes me laugh because of how lazy he is and how he makes fun of everybody." This shows that no matter why someone might watch cartoons always have a good reason to be watched.

Page said, "When I come home from school I will watch The Simpson's because there is always something in the cartoon that makes me laugh time and time again." Homer Simpson is always doing something retarded that makes everyone "crack up" when they watch it.

Most of the students that watch cartoons say that the only reason that they watch a cartoon is that they make them laugh. Also many of them say that they don't watch cartoons anymore but when they are younger there were always something about them that kept me watching them over and over again. Either the powers of The Power Rangers or the comments of Homer Simpson, something about always fascinate people.

Cartoons are always fun to watch because they make you laugh. These cartoons may not be your favorite but everyone enjoys or has enjoyed watching cartoons in their lives.

Cassondra Maybin

Age: 14

Favorite Color: Pink

Favorite Band: Shine Down

Favorite Movie: Scarface

Favorite Quote: "What I feel like, gosh" Napo Dyn

Favorite Cartoon: Superman

Abacuc Aguilar
Claudia Alejos
Christopher Allen
Jared Anderson
Serenity Ash
Alexis Barker

Josalyn Batemon
Jonathan Bautista
Michael Beamish
Marie Beaunegre
Jacob Beistel
Dakota Benson

Logan Brackett
Amber Bradley
Megan Brooks
Nickolas Brozak
Whitney Brumfield
Garrett Burleson

Class of 2007 are Movin' On Up

By: Tyler Sain

"Being a sophomore gives a student more privileges and a little more respect," said, sophomore, Ashley Wood, "also you're only a freshman once, make the best of it."

Dakota Benson, sophomore, said, "I liked being a freshman better because it was easier." This made sense because classes gradually get harder as high school goes on.

Most sophomores only have four required courses in order to pass the tenth grade. There was a second or third math (depending on if students have doubled up or not), English II, Biology, and Civics and Economics. Honor classes are also available for students who want more of a challenge than regular classes.

The current student officers are President Christina Storm, Vice President Susan Pryor, and Secretary Jeremy Wilder. All of these students try their hardest to make the class of 2007 the best of all.

President Christina Storm said, "I like being sophomore president because its fun, also I get to look back to my high school days and see that I have done something good." She and the rest of the student counsel do a lot, like organizing field day, and also being very involved with the students.

This year's sophomore class of 246 students worked hard to get the job done everyday of the school year.

> "Being a sophomore gives a student more privileges like..."

Briana Bushelli
Katie Byrd
Gladys Cagle
Leah Cagle
Christopher Cain
Brian Camp

Lauren Cannon
Brent Cantrell
Heather Cantrell
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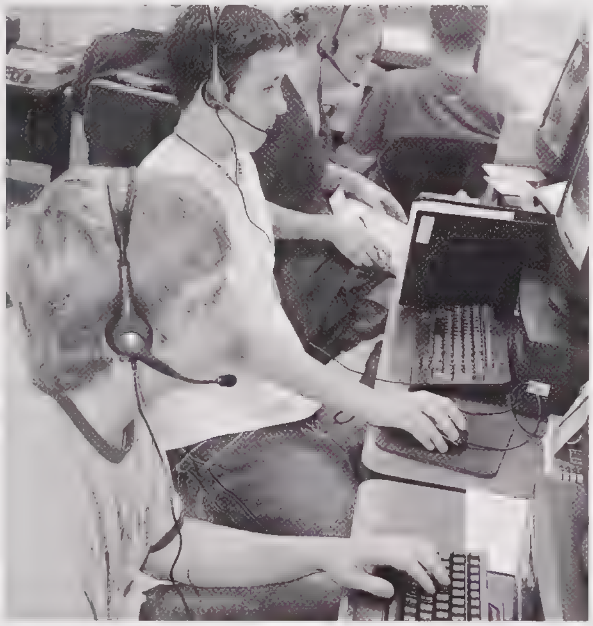
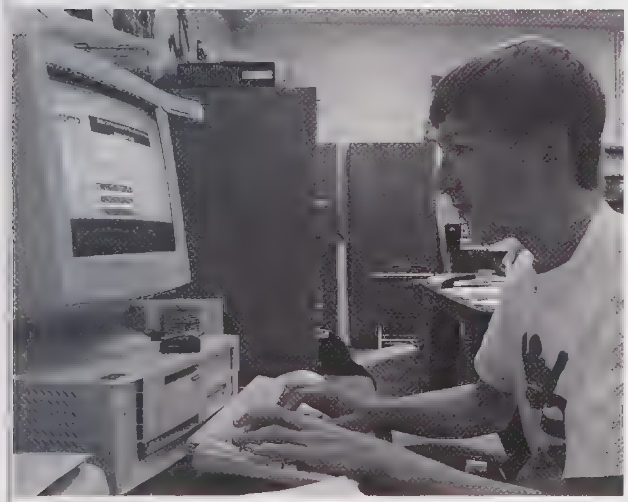


Sophomores work with voice recognition software in one of the business classes. Knowledge of technology was a big bonus for students. Photo by Excalibur staff.

Michelle Janes gets all of her books in order for her her next class. Some students carry their books in their bookbag, they dont think they have enough time. Photo by K Hester



Concentration! Conner Griffin is hard at work to get all of his work completed in English II. Photo by K. Hester

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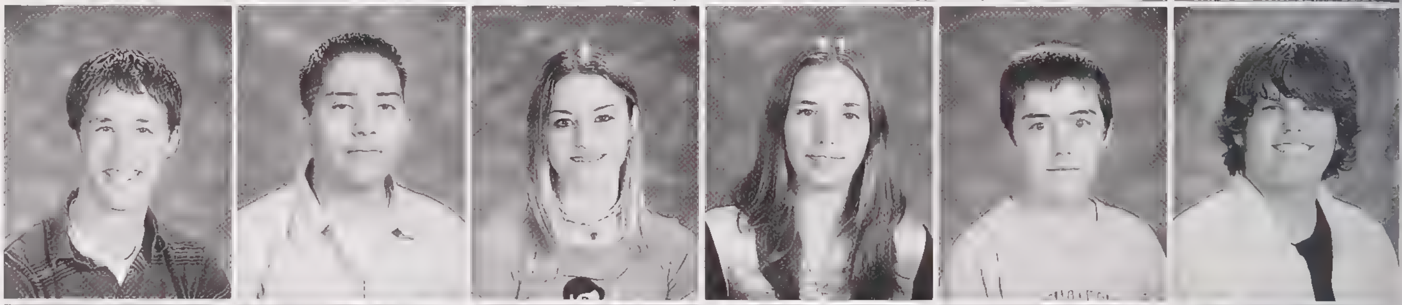

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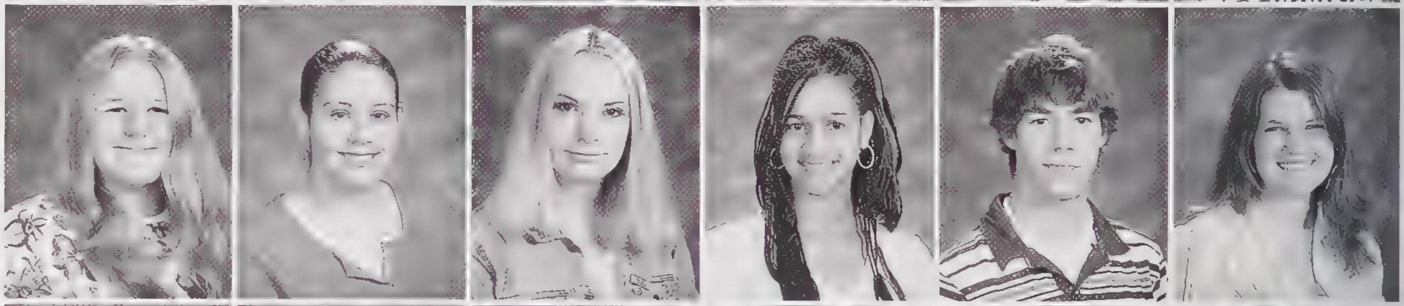

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William Frazier

Higher Standards: For Going Varsity

By George McKee

Keep your eye on the ball. Freshman David Castillo blows by the defense of Madison. He was very helpful to the soccer team
Photo By: B. Griffith

GOAL! Varsity players were expected not to screw up during a game. The coaches put the students (who were the most talented) on the field or the court because they expected them to win games for them. Some of the students amazed fans over and over again. Max Rhuelen was just one of those students. He was a great player for the football team because he had a lot of experience, although they suffered a disappointing season. He was only a sophomore but he still impressed his fellow teammates, teachers, fans, and coaches. Max is the backup quarterback for the varsity football team.

Sophomore Leah Cagle impressed her junior varsity teammates when she made varsity... Or did she? Leah Cagle has been a very good volleyball player since middle school. Her sister Lauren Cagle (Now graduated) was an outstanding player as well. Some would say it is in their genes. Leah's teammates knew she would be bumped up to varsity. "Practice was way harder then ever when we started practicing for varsity." Leah said. "Although I loved being on varsity I wish the other teams weren't so tough to beat."

Sophomore Ismel Cerezo played varsity soccer for three games when he was a freshman. Teammates knew that Ismel was going to try and replace, recent graduate Patrick Mugan. Coach Hart put Ismel on varsity because he was fast and led the JV in goals his freshmen year. "You had to run a lot every single day" Ismel said "I liked varsity because we got so much attention.

Sometimes our varsity teams got the sticky end of the stick and lost the game because of the referees. No matter what the case people need to give varsity teams more recognition. Most of the varsity has led the Junior Varsity and has been a leader. Almost all of the former J.V superstars will make it on varsity next year, they have the experience to prove it.

Carson Rhodes

Age: 15

Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Band: Godsmack

Favorite Movie: The Program

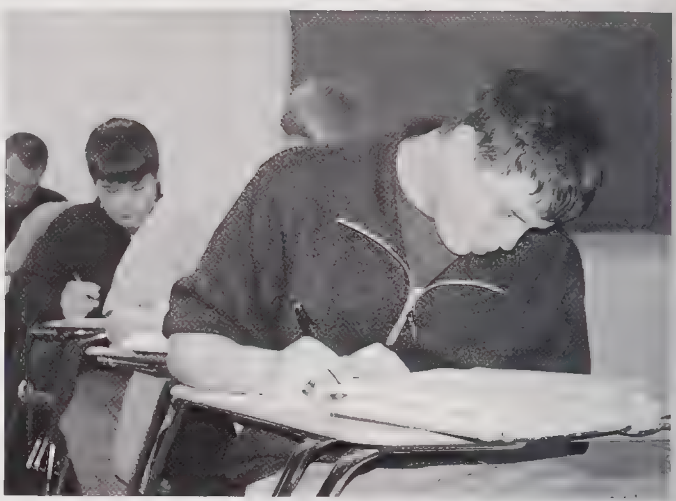
Favorite Quote: "The only thing you need to worry about is the two seconds between the snap and giving the football to Boobie" ~Friday Night Lights~

Big Difference in H.S. from M.S. : Lifting weights and trying to max yourself out.

Tight Schedules

by Autstin Tiller

Fitting it all into a 24 hour day



Junior Daniel Hutchinson searches for the answers in US History. Reviews and open-book tests forced students to hunt for answers for themselves. Photo by E. Finsel

"Hey you want to go do something Friday night?"

"No, I can't I have way to much stuff to do."

"You should really stop doing all those different things at school."

"But I like it."

"Whatever."

Many students have way too much stuff to do in their lives that prevents them from doing the "fun" stuff in life, and are "over involved". Some students like it and enjoy doing all their activities, whether they find them interesting, fun, enjoyable, or they like being around people, while others can't seem to stop and want a more simple life.

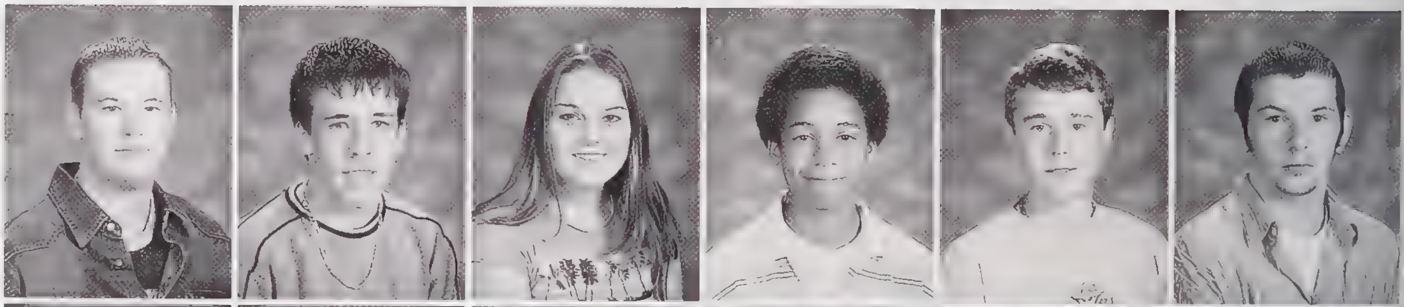
Christina Storm was quite a busy student, she was Sophomore Class President, was on the Cross Country team, Basketball team, and ran for the Track team. She said she liked doing all of it because it was fun and it looks good to colleges when you apply.

"It's overwhelming sometimes, but you just have to prioritize," said Christina. She also said that she wants to run for Student Body President when she becomes a senior.

"It was fun and it looks good to colleges."

Tyler Walker is also somewhat of a busy student, he was on the Football team, Basketball team, and was also a member of the prestigious Key Club. Tyler said that he has thought about taking up a few more activities but "Sometimes I think about what it would be like if I didn't have all these things to do, because it gets hectic sometimes."

Working hard while taking notes in Mr. Corens Civics Class, Dakota Benson and Logan Brackett pay attention so that they can pass their next test. Photo by K. Hester.



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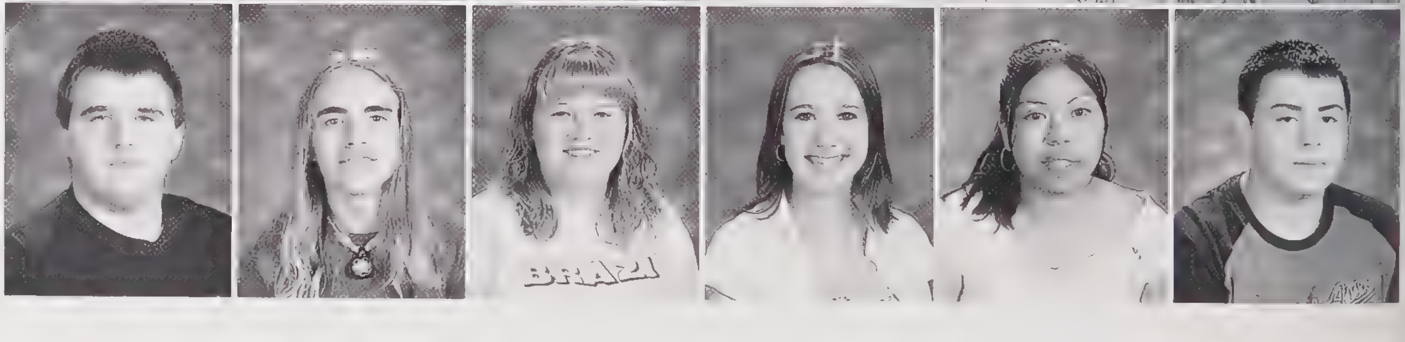

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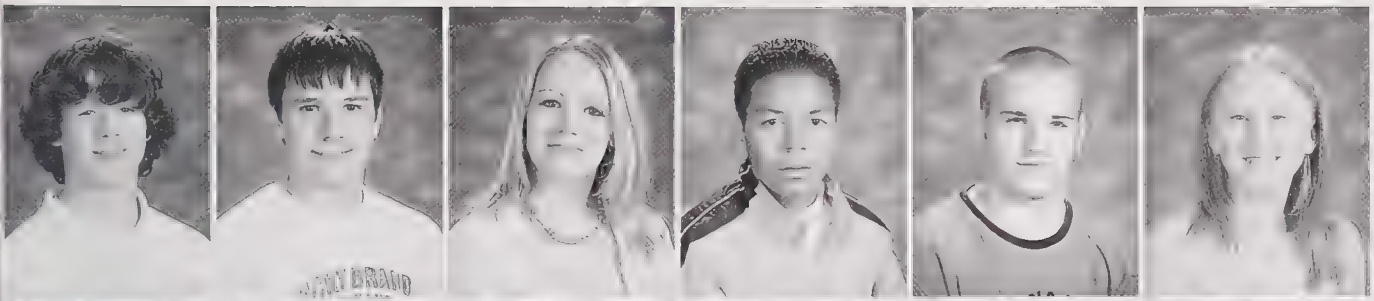

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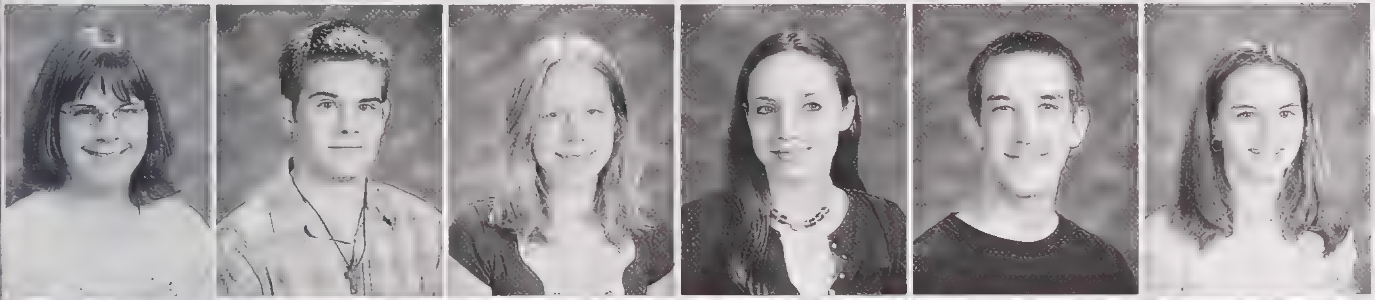

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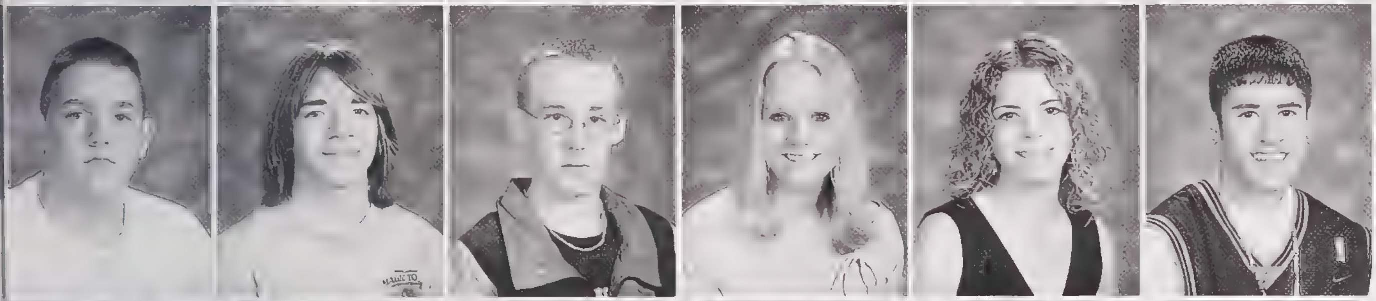

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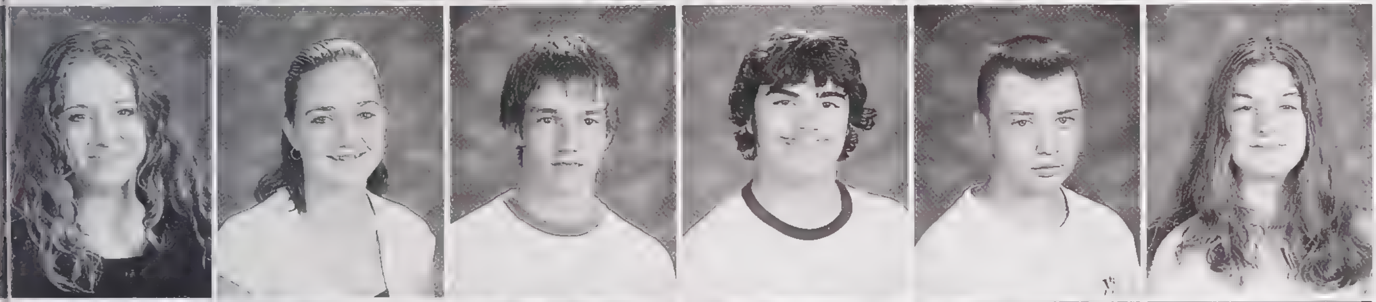

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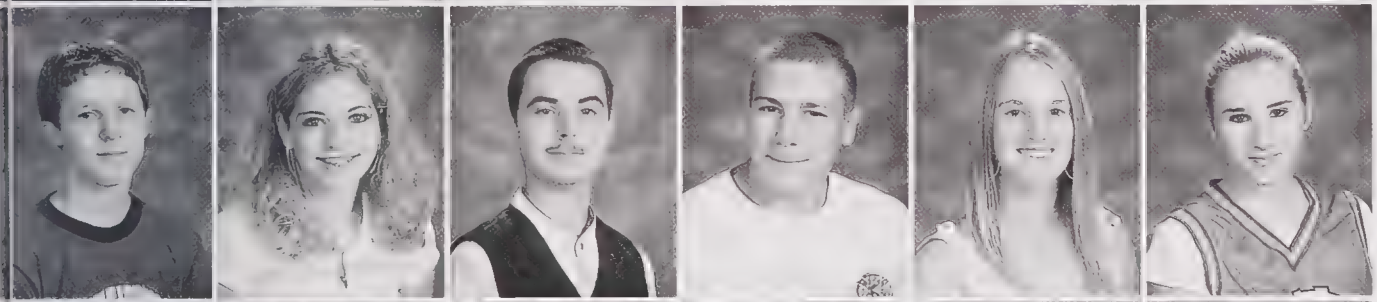

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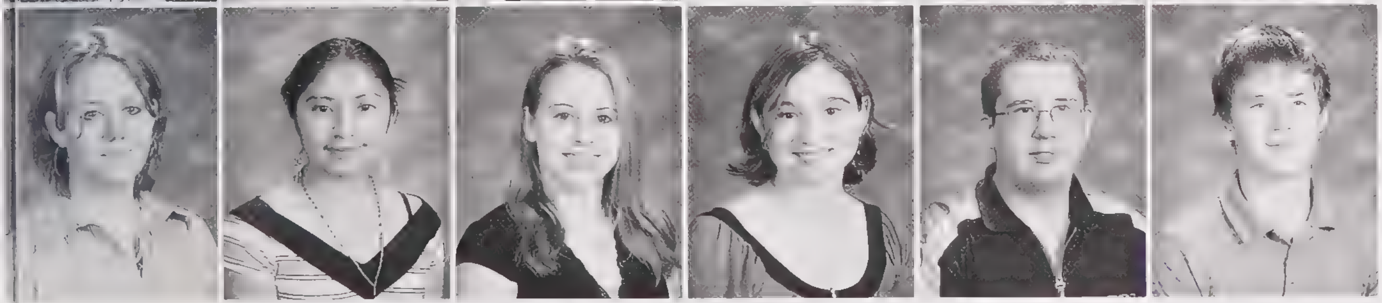

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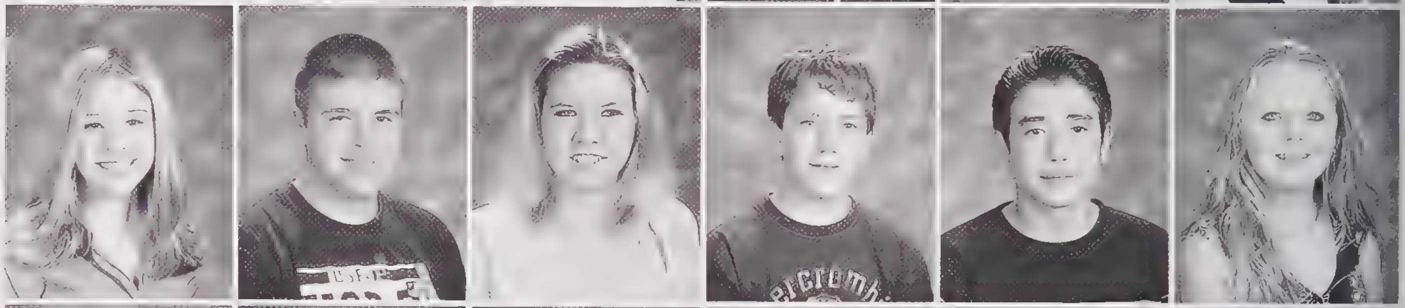

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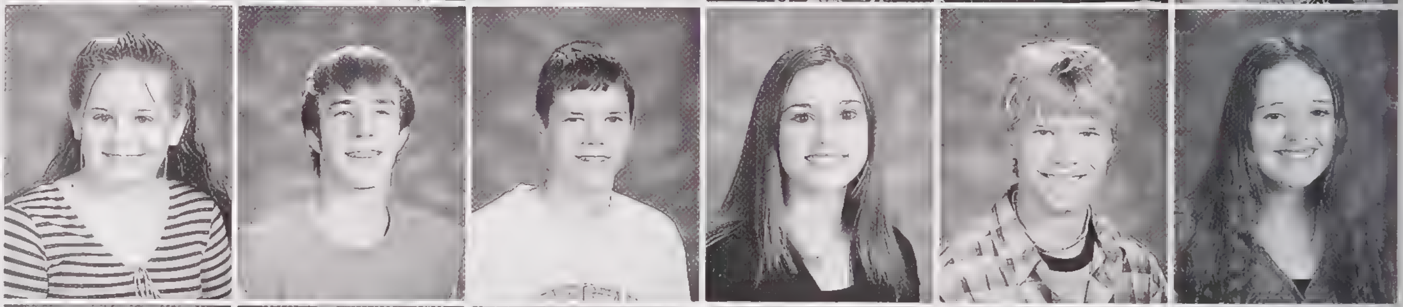

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Class Rings: To order or not to order!

By: Billy Griffith

Marie Beaunegre sits in the library to fill out her class ring packet. She needs to hurry up in order to get her class ring by Christmas time. Photo by K. Hester.

Two guys bloat about which ring is better then the other. Students gathered around to determine the winner. Photo by K. Hester

What object represents the four years of hard work that students put into high school? It might be a diploma or a yearbook, but the most portable, practical way to show school pride is the class ring.

Students had many ways to purchase class rings. Each student was given a catalog packet to begin the ordering process. Students could use Josten's web site to order their ring online. Or, when a Jostens representative visited, students could place their order and make a down payment. If students ordered on time, they were more likely to get their ring before Christmas break.

Sophomore Carson Thomas said he wanted to purchase a class ring, "to remember high school life."

Students purchased class rings to give them a tangible memory of high school.

Class rings could also represent individuals. Briana wants her class ring to memorialize going from the Junior Varsity Cheerleading Squad to the Varsity Cheerleading Squad. Briana personalized her ring with cheerleaders and hearts (to remember the good times), 2007 (her graduating class), and her name.

Students agreed that the money was worth every penny so they could have one item to treasure for the rest of their life. Once high school is gone, students will still have that little ring to help them remember the good times!

Michael Doll

Age: 16

Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Band: Switchfoot

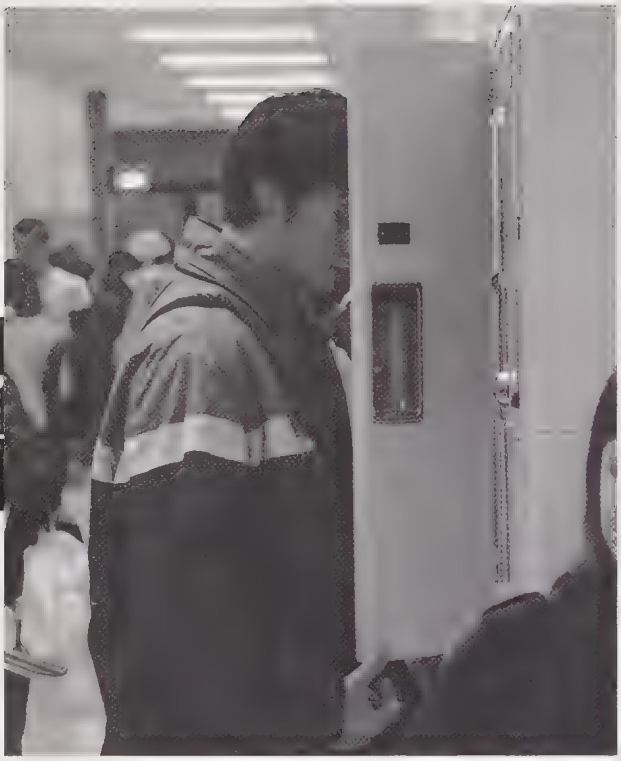
Favorite Movie: Perfect Score

Favorite Quote: "Yeah Yah"

"I want my ring to have a track symbol along with cross country and the number 88 because that is the year I was born and my old football number".

Lockers: Just toughing it out or paying for some extra space

By: Jason Guillén



Kelly Hart is getting his books for his next class, during a class change. Students chose to pay $5 for a locker, or do without. Photo By B. Griffith

With 908 lockers, there are enough lockers for each student, but not all chose to buy one.

Why not? Because they decided to carry their books all day. Senior Nelda Rodriguez said, "I didn't buy a locker because I didn't have any books to carry for my classes, just a folder."

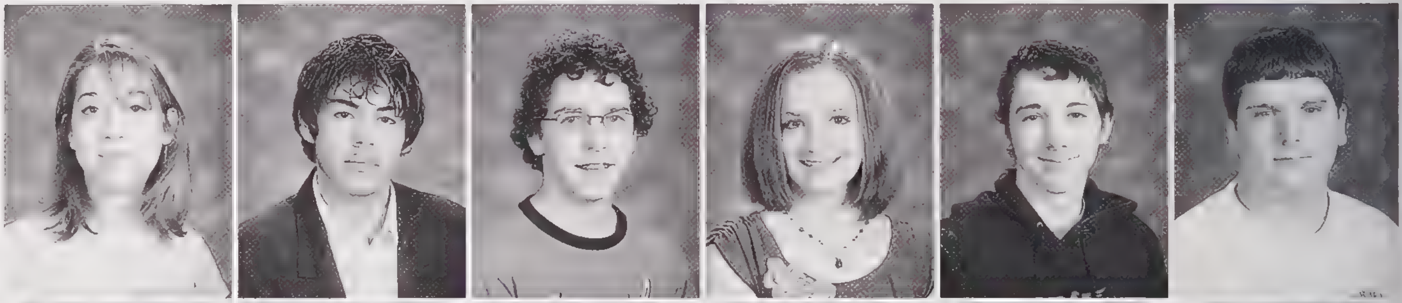
Students who did buy one tried to get top lockers in halls close to their classes. A close locker meant they had time to both visit their lockers and talk to friends.

Anahi Perez, Junior, has one locker in Z-hall and shares another locker in W-hall with her friends Elizabeth Tomás and Juan Gómez. After she came out of Algebra II with Mr. Hart, she always stopped at her locker and talked to her friends before going to lunch.

Many students waited to buy a locker in the spring because they were going to carry more books than during the fall. Others waited because their spring classes were not as spread out.

Senior, Justin Cauble said, "I've never really wanted a locker, you have to pay five dollars and then you have to remember the combination, when you could just stop being a baby and carry your books."

> "Just stop being a baby and carry your books"



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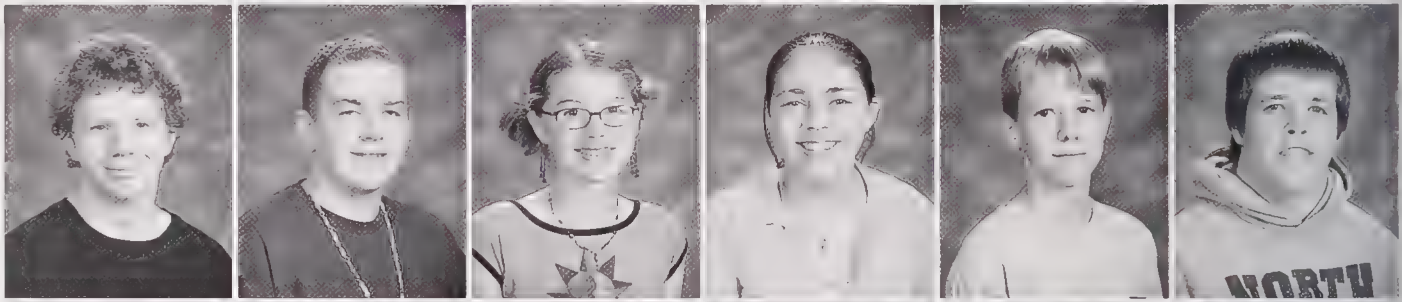

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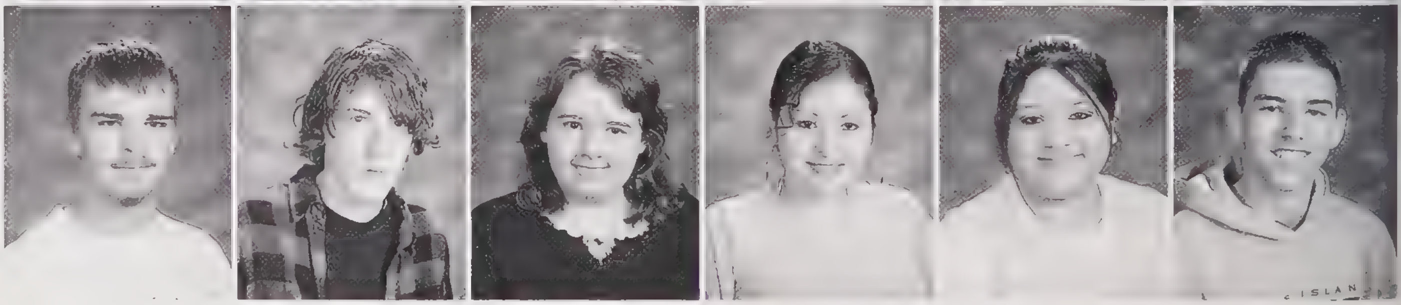

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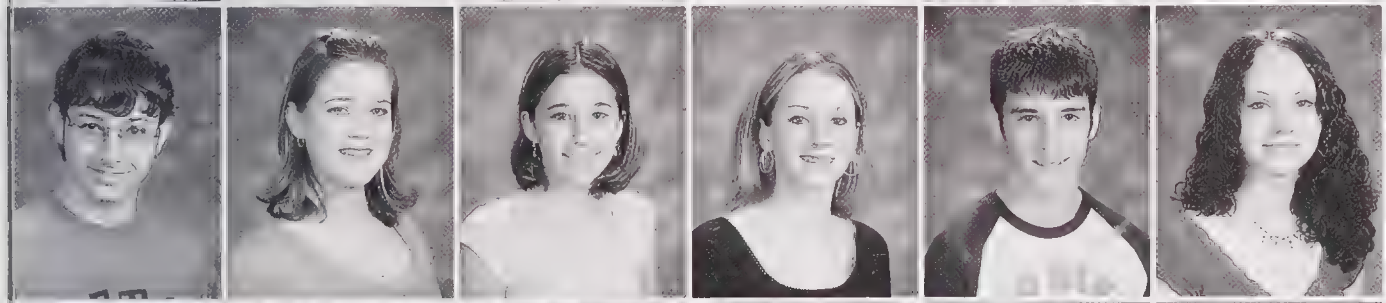

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Grandparents: Not your average family life

By Kasi Dowdle

Sean Owen stands with grandparents Ronnie and Becky Owen in Mrs. Hesters room after school disscussing Seans exciting time in there every day. Photo by: K Hester

"My grandma has some of the best cooking ever, and all I have to do is just ask for food," Said Sophomore Sean Owen.

Some students live with their parents and meanwhile some live with their grandparents, and then there were kids who were adopted. Their lives were just like others who live at home with there parents

"When I was little, my grandpa would let me play in the dirt when my grandma was inside cleaning. He didn't care if I got dirty because I was grandpa's little helper and he didn't care what I did." Said Freshman Kristen Gilbert.

Amanda Vaughan said "I enjoy living with my grandparents because they are sick and I'm going to take care of them as much as I can and help them out."

So whether students enjoy it or not, some have no choice but to live with relatives other than their parents, so if it's the joy of feeling getting that you get to take care of them when they're sick, or having them spoil you rotten. Some grandparents are strict, but meanwhile some let their grandkids do whatever they want to. Like Cheyenne Wright's Grandparents did by buying him a motorcycle.

"I enjoy going to Gatlinburg and the *Rod Run* with my family every summer,"says Sophomore, George McKee

Of course, some students live with their Biological parents, but others are adopted. Being adopted can be a long wait because the parents have to get approved. Many adopted students don't know their biological parents at all.

"If I knew my real parents I think I would enjoy it, but it wouldn't be the same as it is now," said Freshman Chelsea MacEachern.

The relationships that make up families can be very different, but the feelings are often the same. It's all still home. According to Sean Owen, "I like thinking of the good times we have together, like them always asking me how my day went and what all interesting things happen."

Sean Owen

Age: 16

Favorite Color: Black and Red

Favorite Band: Metallica

Favorite Movie: The Punisher

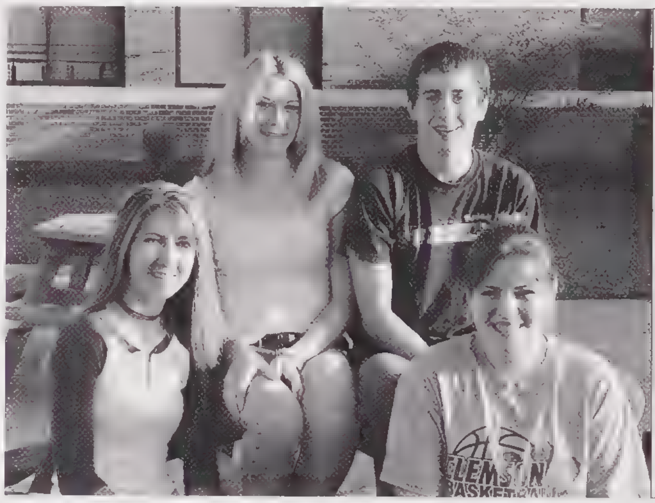
Favorite Quote: "It's better to be hated for who you are than loved for what your not."

What is the best part about living with your grandparents: The fact that I don't have to put up with them criticizing my music 'cause they raised my dad.

Jamie Lillard does her work in AP History during third period. Jamie is very repectful of her classmates. Photo by B. Griffith.

Juniors Chelsea Martin and Christina Chavez talk during a class change. Although Juniors still have a year to go, they're a lot more comfortable with school routines than lower-classmen. Photo by K. Hester

Junior Danielle Freeman starts the day off by going to her locker and getting her books. Even with just four classes a day, those books get heavy fast. Photo by B. Griffith



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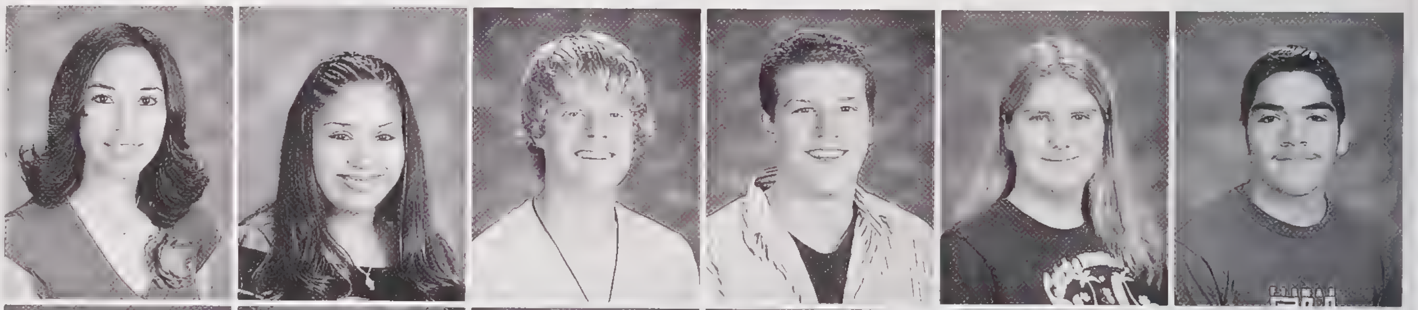

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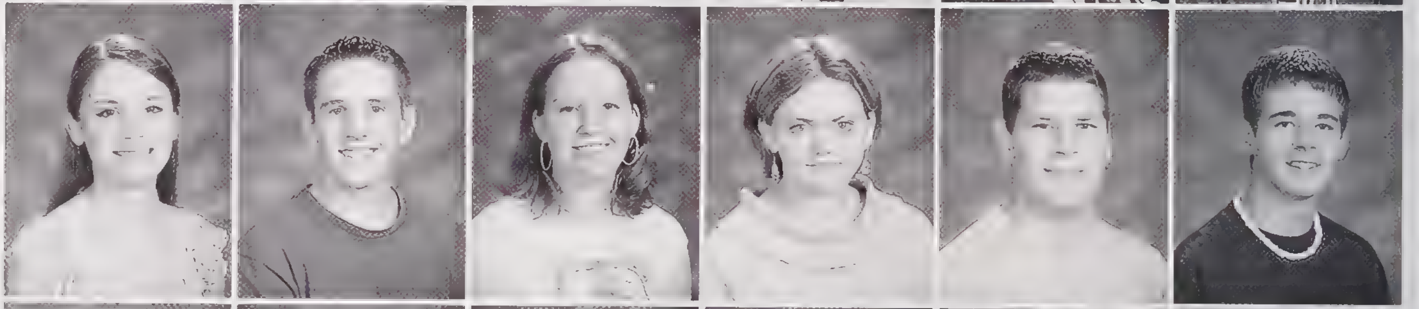

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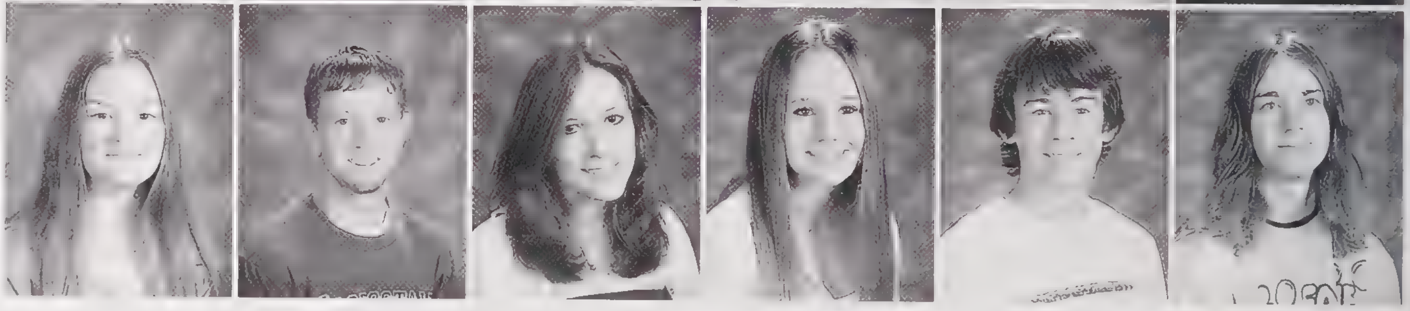

Class of 2006 looks Toward the future

By Streven Hart

Junior year, a time of rejoice for the juniors for they have only one year left of school. One more step and they will finally become the top of the food chain. Being a junior was just a long step forward in both freedom and responsibility.

> “The best part of junior year is, senior year is on the way.”

“I feel as though the best part of being a junior is that our senior year is on the way, and we get to look back at all the memories we have made”, said junior Anahi Perez. With 220 students in the junior class you can be sure the many memories were made along the way. Many juniors enjoyed going to the Flat Rock playhouse. In fact many felt as though it was the best school experience all year. “It was great to take a break from all the stress and hard work, and I really enjoyed the play, said junior Kristen Foster.” Junior year can be though with all the challenging classes required. Junior year can be filled with tons of stress, but also more choice because you have a wider variety of classes to choose from depending upon your pathway.

When asked if he picks on lower classman William Hardin said, “No. I pick on older ones though.” Although lower classman do not have quite as many privileges as seniors, juniors felt many of the benefits of getting older. Now that many juniors are one step closer to being in the real world some may find themselves’ slacking a little bit. When asked if he has become a slacker Junior Cody Williams said, “No. I’ve always been one.”

Junior year is a lot of hard work and determination that in the end will prove worth all of the effort. The junior class worked hard and their success showed in more way than one.

Sean Bryant
Tori Burgess
Chelsea Caldwell
Ashley Calloway
Travis Calton
Natasha Cape

Courtney Capps
Thomas Carnot
Cody Carswell
Brittany Carter
Misty Carter
Tonya Carter

Kenneth Chastain
Christina Chavez
Justin Clayton
Lashonda Clayton
Erica Colecio
Joseph Colecio

Carrie Conner
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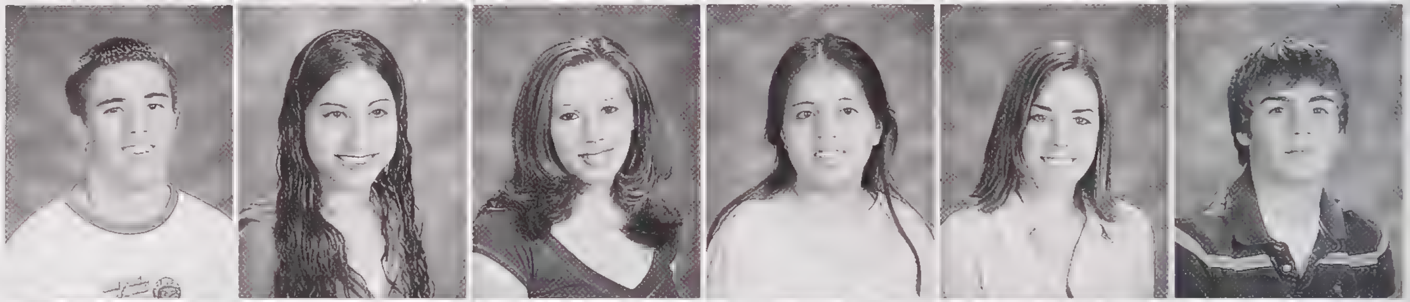

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Kristen Foster

Lindsey Frantz
Danielle Freeman
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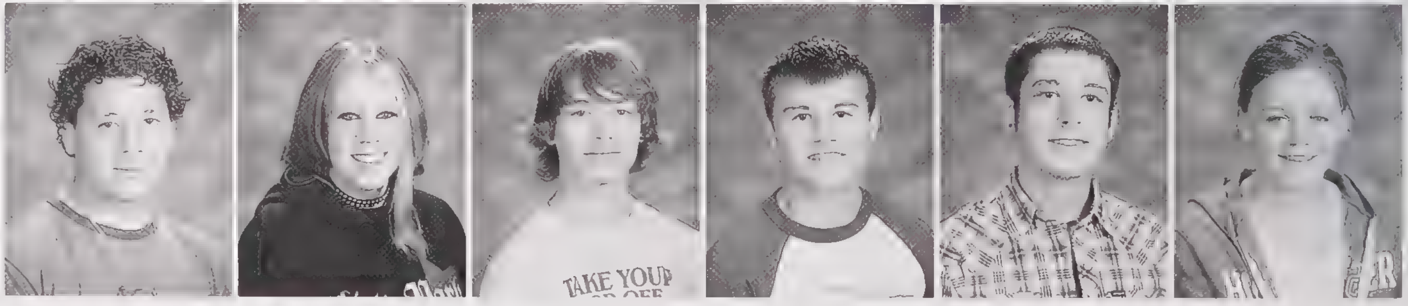

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Samantha Hayes
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Charles Henninger
Robert Hicks
Samantha Hill

Working: Where They Go to Make Money

by Tara Ward

"Is that for here or to go?" Christy Reale talks with a customer at Chick-fil-A where she works.Christy enjoys her job and likes making money. Photo by B.Griffith

Most students will have to get a job during high school. Some start working at the age of fourteen while others wait until they are fifteen or sixteen.

No matter when students got a job, they all found the task of balancing their personal and social lives, and their school work while still trying to get enough hours in for their paycheck. As most students agreed they needed money for gas, insurance, and other things, like their car payment or cell phone bill. Having a paycheck at the end of the week sure is nice, but keeping up with your grades in school can be tough. As many students quickly found out, the longer the hours, the less time they had for things they might have been used too like, sports, friends, family, and most importantly school work. Kevin Yockey and Amber Smith both agree a job is nice especially on pay day, but a lot of your time is spent working rather than doing activities of their choice.

Some students would find the change in schedule nice, such as junior Noel Carter, "It would be nice to get away from my parents for a couple of hours each night." Noel is a junior who currently does not have a job. Although she is quick to add that having a little extra money would also be an incentive for a job. Right now she can't apply anywhere because of a lack of transportation to and from work. Noel hopes to get a job soon, since next summer, she will receive her license.

Adam Jones, who has been working since middle school, works with his dad and brother in their family business, *Jones Landscaping.* Adam says that a responsibility he has at work, but does not have at school, is servicing equipment. He also says, he would much rather work full time than go to school because of all the long hours he works. During a school week, Adam works an average of forty hours a week. During the summer he works around forty-eight hours a week, but this is less stressful for Adam, since he doesn't have stacks of homework to do each night.

So as students can see, there are both advantages and disadvantages to having a job. Picking a job can be both stressful and exciting. So whether students start at fourteen or wait until they're sixteen to get a job, students must be wise in their decision, and chose a job they can fit into their schedule.

Jonathan Bishop

Age: 17

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Band: Kenny Chesney

Favorite Movie: Ladder 49

Favorite Quote: "Fire fighting is a way of life."

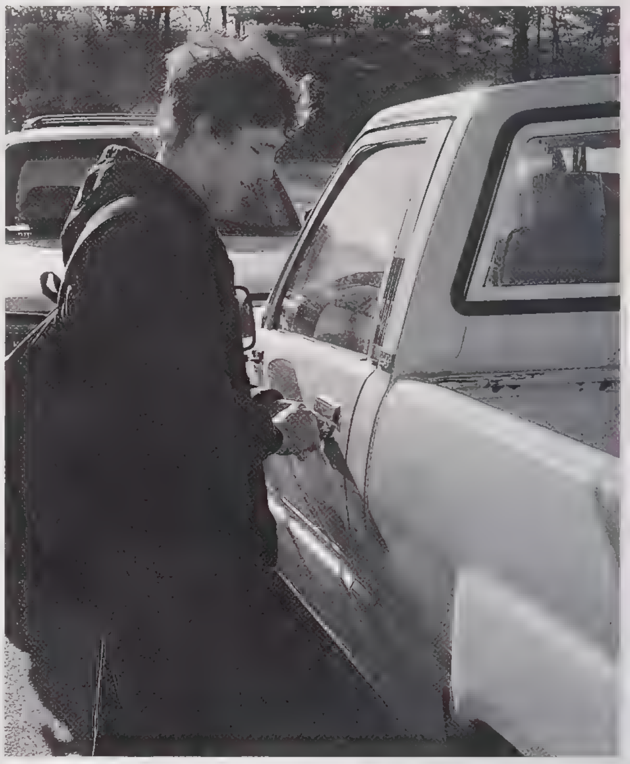
What do you like best about your job : A lot of my friends work there.

Freedom

by Anahi Perez

Juniors take to the roads for work and play

From a long day at school, Ian Gilbert, Junior, gets ready to go into his truck. Ian enjoys having freedom of owning a vehicle to drive off campus. Photo by: B. Griffith



Most students found freedom in having their own car. From a boring life at home to never being at home, according to Junior, Courtney Capps, her life dramatically changed for the better.

Almost every student found freedom in getting a drivers license. Of course, more freedom equaled more responsibility. Students had to learn a few more rules to keep their licenses and learn from their mistakes. The dreaded feeling of being pulled over was a fear for almost every student. "It sucks: you have to go to his car and sit inside and listen to him, while he lectures you at the same time he writes stuff down, for like 10 minutes," said Junior Trey Brown.

Although getting pulled over was a concern for many, some students had a care free attitude regarding traffic laws and the responsibilities driving brought about? Junior, Lupita Aguillon, mentioned she does feel some what free because, "you drive yourself any where, but I can't take advantage of that and get home late because I don't have my full license.

Sometimes being carefree was a disadvantage, Junior Jason Niehoff, got his car on DATE and wrecked it his 3rd day he got it . Jason had a '91 Acura Integra, he went into a ditch and had to replace his entire front end which cost about 1,100 dollars to replace. Although he did't get injured, he ruined his car.

So wether you felt getting your license was a good or bad thing either way it brought freedom.

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Lucy Hillman
Jonathan Hirsbrunner
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Jerred Honeycutt
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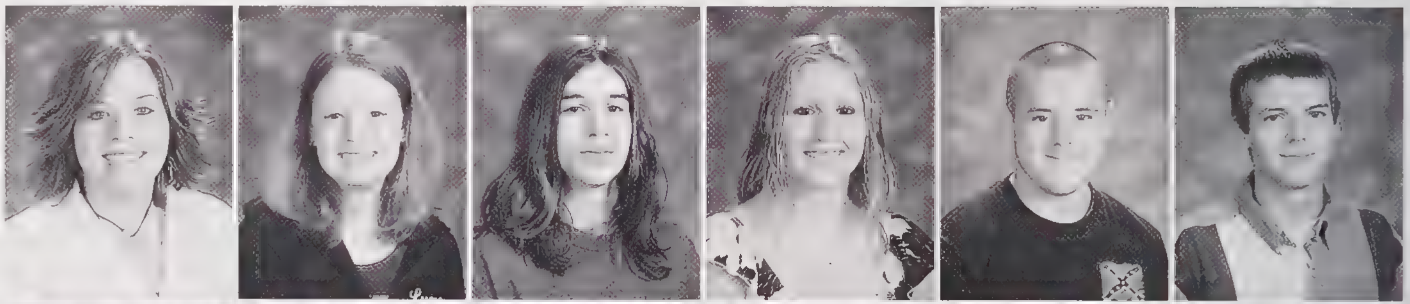

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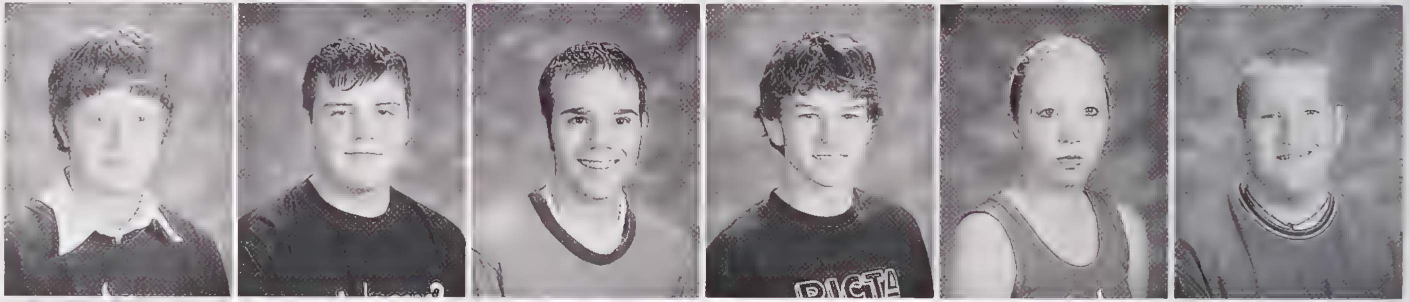

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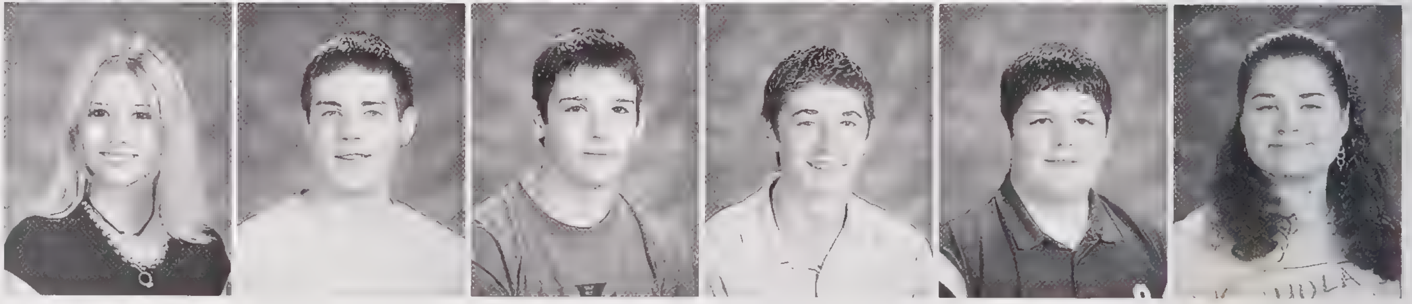

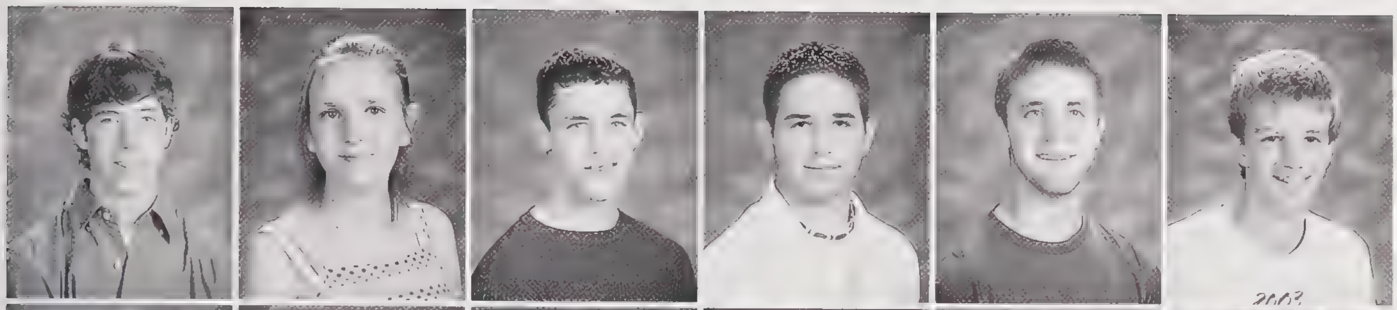

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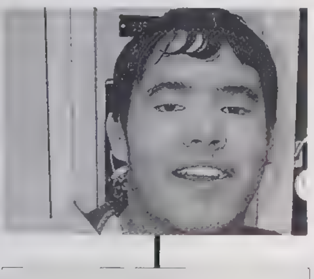
Tyler Lamb
Colby Lanning
Javan Lapp

Jose Ledezma
Richard Leech
Tyler Leech
Blake Lewis Iv
Jamie Lillard
Nancy Lloyd

Elias Lopez
Guadalupe Lopez
Elliott Lyda
Emily Lyda
Aaron Maldonado
Edward Marshall

Justin Shrader, Junior, relieved that the day is over slips into his car and leaves school campus, happy that he has a car to drive around with. Photo B. Griffith

Tori Burgess turns around quickly to say good-bye to her friend. The parking lot is a familiar place for students to hang out after school. Photo by B. Griffith



" I can go any where at any time"
~Joey Colecio~

"You don't depend on anybody, you have to pay for gas every week and be responsible"
~Lupita Aguillon~

"My parents make me go get stuff at the store and its annoying"
~Trey Brown~

Chelsea Martin
William Martin
Naomi Mason
Brian Maxwell
Kristine McCall
James McCraw

Melody McDaniel
Patrick McDonald
Jessica McGlasson
Spencer McGlasson
Amanda McIntyre
Matthew McMurray

Rachael Metcalf
Nelcy Michel
Jennifer Mirkovic
Colby Moon
Barett Moore
Alicia Moreno

Alvaro Moreno
Ashley Morgan
Robin Morrow
Jason Niehoff
Wayne Nock
Jenielle Norman

Edward Norvell
Derek Pace
Itzel Palacios
Joshua Penland
Lupita Perez
Paula Perez

Jesse Peters
Sussie Pierce
Jose Pina
Michael Player
Alexandra Ploenes
Michael Polk

Kirsten Powell
Maria Powers
Kelly Probert
Brandon Pryor
Selena Puga
Colby Rabon

Playing

The stage becomes the world

"To be or not to be, that is the question." Shakespeare was a famous playwright in the 16th century. Some of his plays included Hamlet, A mid Summers Night Dream, Macbeth, and of course the ever famous Romeo and Juliet.

Every year all the Henderson County public schools pay for the junior class to take a field trip to the Flat Rock Play House free of charge. This was a trip the juniors really enjoyed. There were only a few requirements. Behavior was a main priority. The way the juniors behaved would decide if the next year's class would get the same privilege. Next, there was the dress code. The girls were required to wear nice dress clothes, which you would possibly wear out to a nice restaurant. The boys were required to wear dress pants, a nice shirt, and a tie.

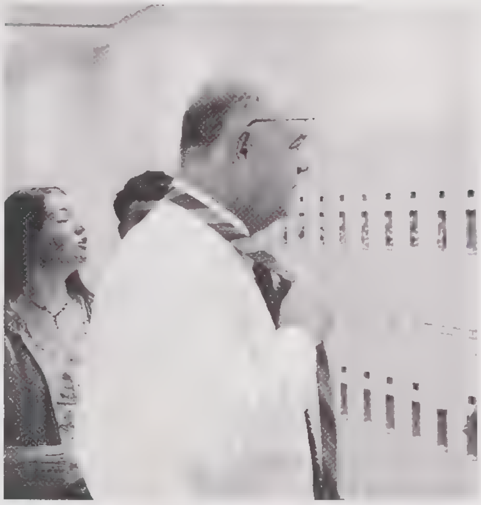
For some juniors, this was a problem because some didn't have dress clothes. They somehow got the outfit assembled in order to go, though. Without dressing up they could not attend the play

The play, "The Abbreviated Works of William Shakespeare," was a lot of fun. The actors presented the gist of several Shakespeare plays, but made them funny. Several of the scenes involved making fun of famous characters and lines from the best known plays.

Right now, it's not definite if next year's Juniors will be invited back to Flat Rock--but the ones who got to go this year enjoyed the break from the normal routine.

"I loved visiting Flat Rock for the play"

Mr. Edwards directs Junior, Brian Maxwell to head over to Flat Rock Playhouse to watch the famous works of Shakespeare. Photo by B. Griffith



Tidy up mr. Loving! Mr. Loving prepares himself to depart to the Flat Rock PLayhouse. Students and teachers were required to wear dress clothes. Photo by B. Griffith

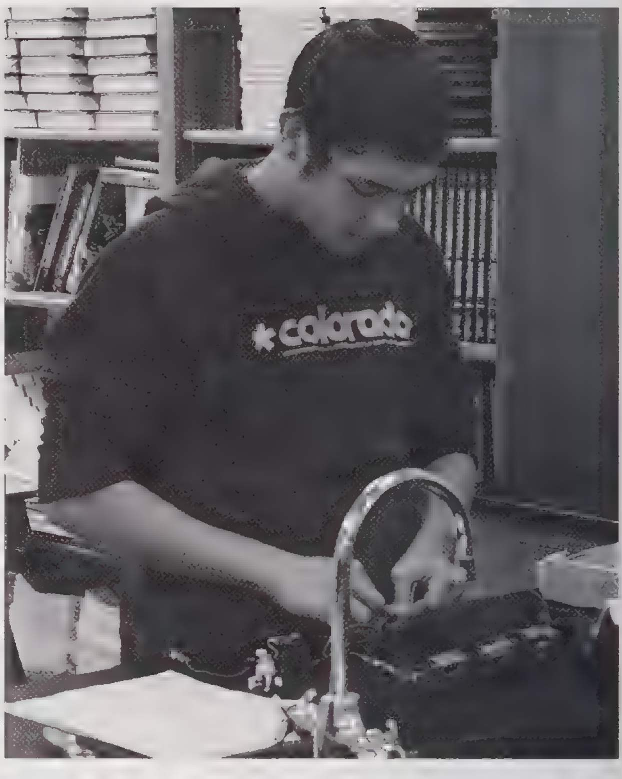
Juniors, Stepeh Hart and James Helms get ready to load the buses to go to the play. They take time to pose for a quick picture. Photo by B. Griffith

Amanda McIntyre catches the attention of her fellow classmates, warning them to behave so next years class will have the same privaleges. Photo by B. Griffith

Growing up: What doyou want to be when you grow up?

by Jessica Crocker

Robert Hicks works hard in his Science Class. Working hard in each class is required in order to succeed. Photo by B. Griffith



When I was little I always dreamed about what I would be when I grew up, I never imagined it would be so hard to choose just one career," said junior Anahi Perez. Junior year is a time to truly grow up and start thinking about the future. Many people used their junior year to begin thinking about the future, going to the career center and looking up possible occupations and what was required of the job.

While many juniors didn't yet know what they wanted to do, some have been dreaming their entire lives about what they would soon become. Junior Wayne Nock said, "When I grow up I want to be a professional wrestler or maybe even president." Setting high goals may have just been the motivation that got them through the year and keep them focused on what they needed to do.

"I have pretty much always known that I want to be in the Navy, so I always stay focused because I need to be prepared for the future," according to junior Brandon Crocker. While buckling down wasn't easy for all, many juniors got through the year focused on required classes and achieving goals they had set for themselves.

So whether you dreamed big or small junior year was a time for growing up and out. The junior class definitely accomplished goals and set examples for the future junior class.

Maria Ramirez
Jonathan Ramsey
Amanda Rapisarda
Carrie Reale
Christy Reale
Lauren Repass

Sharon Rhodes
Joshua Roberson
Joshua Robinson
Francisco Rodriguez
Marden Rodriguez
Felipe Rojas

Eric Russell
Brittany Sellers
Kawana Sharp
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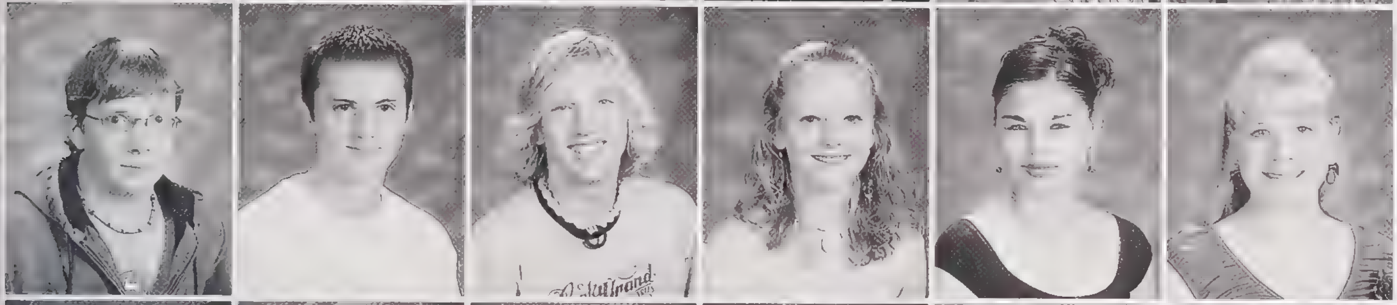

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Brooke Taylor

Preston Taylor
Elizabeth Tomas
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Christopher Vakoc

Alex Von Lautz
Annie Waddell
Brandon Ward
Tara Ward
Brandon Warren
Melanie Watson

Dustin Wheeler
Nathaniel White
Alyssa Williams
Brett Williams
Clayton Williams
Cody Williams

James Wise
Bradley Wolfe
Micah Wright
Jaryd Yarbrough
Kevin Yockey
Adam Young

Jamie Youngker
Katie Zepeta

CLASS of 2005

By Justin Cauble

August of 1993 marked two important occasions for this senior class. First, it was the month that most students started first grade. Second, it marked when this school first opened its doors to students. The students will always remember their special connection here. Mark Kimbro, senior, said, " I am going to miss Football, putting on my jersey, and playing in front of all the north fans"

The one hundred and sixty-two people who plan to walk down the carpet and receive their diplomas this spring have left their marks behind. After they leave the crowded hallways, their presence will always be there. The friends they will be leaving behind, and the knowledge they have given to underclassmen are just part of their legacy. All seniors have things they will miss, but most seniors agree about what they will miss most. "I'll miss spending time with my friends" said senior Michela Mcminn.

"I'll miss spending time with my friends"

After a year of privilege, of early dismissals, closer parking, and the feeling that they are the kings of the castle, the seniors are moving on. The world awaits.

Dan Hazlett and Eddie Worland get their picture snapped at a basketball game. Eddie and Dan are avid supporters of the Basketball Team. Photo by B. Griffith

Prsident:
Bethany Garmon

Secretary:
Tracy Justus

Treasurer:
Kristen Evans

Seniors

Shunneisha Allen
Basketball JV 9,10; Track (Ind) 11; Step 11,12; Track 9,10,12; Skills USA 12; Band 9,10,11

Elizabeth Ames
Cheer JV 9, V 11; Soccer V 10,11; Dance 11; Chorus 12; SWAT 9,10,11; Spainish 9,10,11; FCA 9,10,11; Outing 10,11

Amanda Anthony
Swim 11, 12

Tiffany Barnwell
Art H.S. 12; FBLA 9, 10, 11, 12; Lit Mag 12, Newspaper 12

Jason Blackwell
FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Shooting Team 9, 10, 11, 12; Archery Team 9, 10, 11, 12

Faith Brandenburg
No Activities Listed

Ashley Brooks
Track (Ind) 9, 10; Softball V 11; Track 9, 10, 11, 12, N.H.S 12; Key 11; FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Spainish Club 9, 10

Chris Brown
Soccer V 10

Zachary Brown
Football JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Basketball JV 9, V 11, 12; Baseball JV 9, V 11, 12; Student Council 10, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; DECA 9

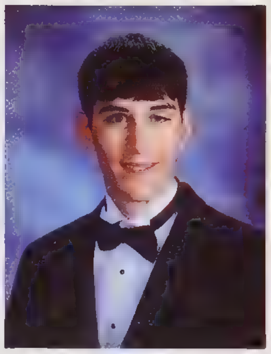
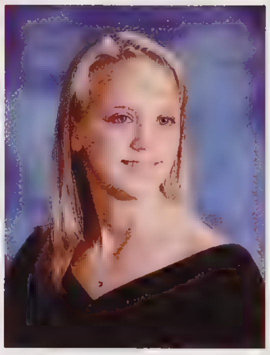
Holly Burgess
Student Council 9, 11, 12; N.H.S 12; Key 9, 10, 11, 12; FFA 11, 12; Strings 9, 10, 12; French 9, 10, 11, 12

Jessica Capps
FBLA 11; BASIC 10, 11; FCA 10, 11

Timothy Carland
Tennis 12; Baseball JV 9, 10; Band 9, 10, 11, 12, FCA 11

Dustin Carlisle
Baseball JV 9, 10; Skills USA 11, 12

Jennifer Case
HOSA 9, 10, 11; FFA 9, 10, FCA 9, 10

Survival:
Seniors Reveal How to Cope

Both the ending and the beginning of life, graduation symbolizes the first step into a new part of existence.

To hold on to the past, some seniors composed a list of their most important pieces of advice in the hopes that the rising seniors can benefit and have as much fun as they did.

Advice #5: "Don't be lazy, and do your work." ~ Tiffany Barnwell

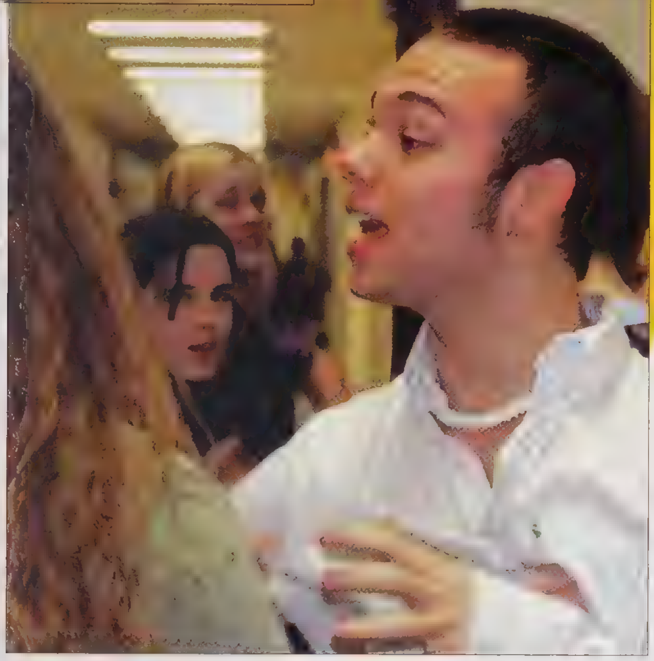
Advice #4: Listen to the teacher as much as possible." ~ Chad Stevens

Advice # 3: "Don't stress so much about tests and take homework seriously. Do your best during your junior year because your senior year will be a lot easier." ~ Samantha Ray

Advice # 2: "Be sure to stay awake in class. Do your homework. And don't be late." ~ Sam Darity

Advice # 1: "Always be yourself! There isn't anyone in the world like you. Don't be afraid to speak your mind and stay true to who you are. And make the most of high school because it can be really fun, and it goes by fast." ~ Brittney Storm

Sam Darity struts across the court. Sam is a senior this year and is a killer on the court. Photo by K. Hester



Julian Iteprat laughs with friends in the hall. Julian will be a senior next Semester. Photo by B. Griffith.

Tyler Nix

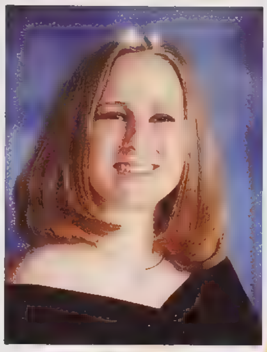
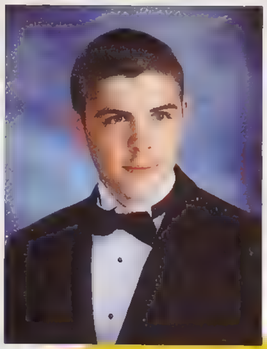
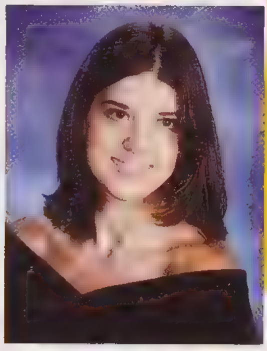
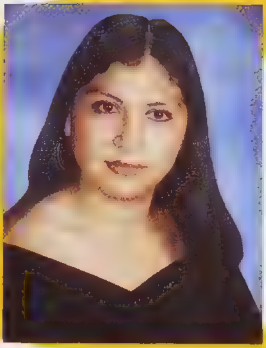
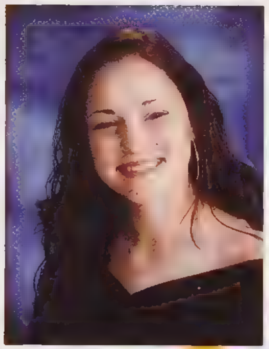
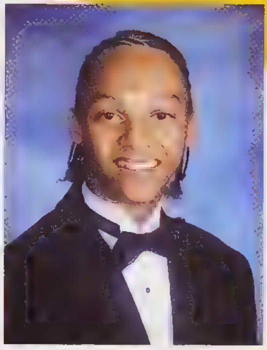
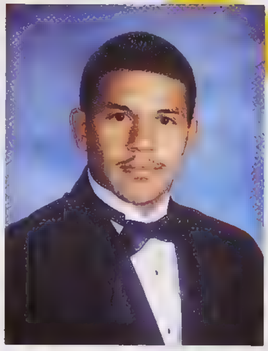
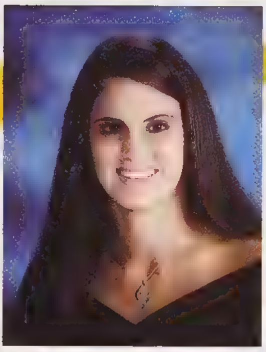
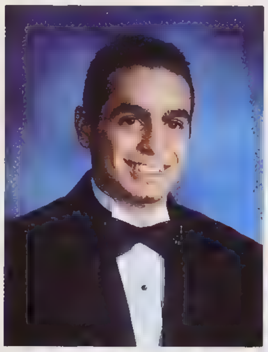
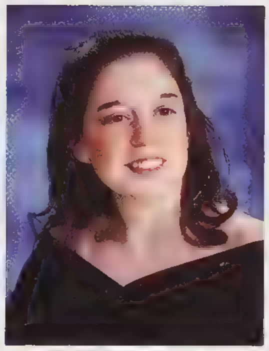
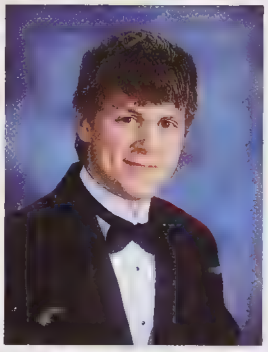
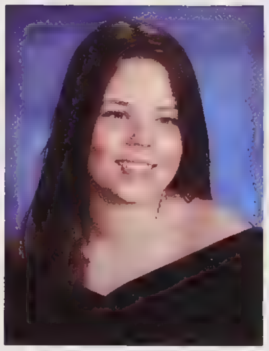
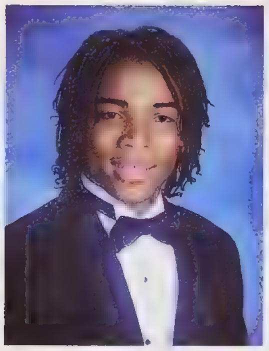
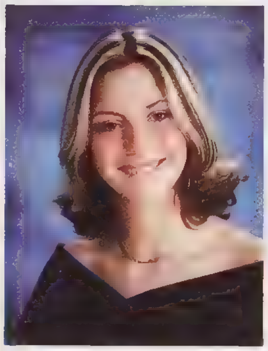
Age: 18

Color: blue

Movie: Joe Dirt

Quote: When life gives you lemons, throw them at somebody.

Best advice: Don't eat yellow snow

Tara Case

Track 9, 10; Art H.S. 12, FCCLA 9, 10; Photo 11; Chorus 9, 10; Geosci 9; French 10, 11, 12, Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Yearbook 9, 10, FCA 9

Justin Cauble

Shooting 9, 10; Archery 9, 10; Yearbook 12

Kendra Childress

Cheer JV 10, V 11; Track 9; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; HOSA 10, 11, 12; FCCLA 9; Spainish 10; FCA 9, 10

Salena Cisneros

FCCLA 9, 10; Chorus 9; AIM 11, 12; Spainish 11, 12;

Amanda Clifford

In Memorium

Brandon Coleman

Basketball JV 11, 12; Key 12; Spainish 11

Jason Collazo

Football JV 10, V 11, 12; Basketball V 10, 11, 12; Lacrosse 11; N.H.S. 11, 12; FBLA 11, 12

Ashley Collins

Dance 12; Track (ind) 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Key 11, 12; HOSA 10, 11, 12; FCCLA 9; Spainish 10; CTE Scholars 12;

Rafael Corral

Spainish 11, 12; AIM 11, 12

Ashley Cox

Cross Country 11, 12; Track (Ind) 11; Track 11; Lit Mag 12

Casey Cox

Basketball 9, 10; Lacrosse 12; N.H.S. 11, 12

Jessica Crocker

Softball JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Key 12; FCCLA 9; FBLA 9; DECA 9; Yearbook 12

Sam Darity

Basketball JV 9, 10, V 11, 12;

Robin D'Augusta

Volleyball JV 9; Swim 12; Softball JV 10, V 11, 12

Darren Djajadiredja
Spainish 9

Morgan Drake
Cheer V 12; Basketball 12

Marché Duckett
Volley JV 9,10; Basketball JV 9,10; Basketball V 11,12; Step Team 11; Softball JV 9, V 10, 11, 12

Matthew Duncan
No Activities Listed

Brittany Enloe
Volleyball JV 9, V 10,11,12; Basketball JV 9,10, V 11,12

Kristen Evans
Volleyball JV 9,10, V 11,12; Student Council 10,11,12; N.H.S. 11,12; Key 11; Strings 9,10,12; BASIC 10;

Benjamin Finsel
Interact 11; Spainish Club 10

Bethany Garmon
Soccer V 11,12; CC 10; Track (Ind.) 12; Track 10,12; Student Council 12; ITS 12; DECA 11,12

Leena Gifford
Cheer JV 11; FCCLA 12

Kristen Glass
NHS 11,12; CTE Scholars 12; HOSA 10,11,12; Chorus 9,10

Matthew Glover
ITS 9,10,11,12; Chorus 9,10; Crimestop 9,10,11,12; Spanish 11; BASIC 9,10; Musical 9,10,11,12; Theater 9,10,11,12; FCA 9

Karen Granados
Soccer V 12; AIM 11, 12

Ok,my hair still looks good, and I wore the perfect pants; just for him! I walked out of the bathroom and there he was, his amazing blonde hair and gorgeous eyes, I smiled and descended down the stairs in front of him acting as cool as I could and then my foot slipped and I fell flat on my back in front of the whole cafeteria and him. Everyone laughed including him. I could not believe I fell in front of the hottest guy in the whole school. I ran back into the bathroom and sulked until lunch was over.

Lots of people get embarrassed throughout the day. Whether it is falling or something horrendous hanging from someone's nose, no one enjoys being laughed at. "My most embarassing moment was when I was covered with silly string and shaving cream," says senior, Stephen McMahan.There are many ways people can respond to this humiliation. You can laugh it up with everyone else or you can run to the bathroom and sulk.

Of course ,it's not the end of the world even though it may have seemed like it. Believe it or not while one student was still thinking about how embarrassed he was, everyone else is laughing at another guy who just got turned down by some girl.

Everyone has moments when they want to crawl into a hole and dissapear. Years from now, it just might turn out to be funny.

2 Choices: Sulk or Laugh

By Corey Williams

Casey Cox

Age: 17

Favorite Color: Blue

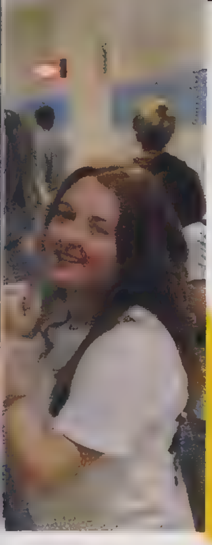
Favorite Movie: Dodgeball

Favorite Band: Metallica

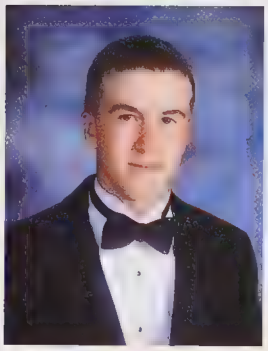
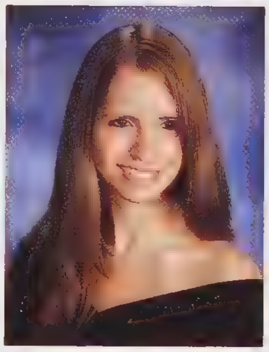
Favorite Quote: "Life is only as good as you make it."

"My most embarassing moment was when I ran over the curb doing donuts in the parking lot."

Brittany Storm and Jill Ayscue get caught goofing off in Botany during a fruit lab. Brittney is a student body officer, but obviously isn't serious all the time.Photo by B. Griffith



Caught in the act. Justin Cauble is caught flirting with Lindsey Frantz. Photo by B. Griffith

Laura Gray

Cross Country 11; Track (ind) 9, 10; Track 9, 10, 12

Lindsey Grayson

Dance 11, 12; Interact 12; Spanish 10, 11, 12

Heather Gregg

Student Council 12; N.H.S. 11, 12; I.T.S. 10, 11, 12; Band 9; French 10, 11, 12; Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Theater 9, 10, 11, 12

William Griffith

CTE Scholars 11, 12; DECA 11, 12; Photo 11; Spainish 10, 11; Yearbook 12

Nathan Hale

FFA 10, 12; BASIC 10

Daniel Hazlett

Golf 9, 10, 11, 12

Amanda Heatherly

FFA 12

Jessica Hensley

FCCLA 9

Kelly Hensley

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 10

Lee Hill

No activities listed

Matthew Hollifield

Skills USA 10, 11, 12

Trey Hope

VICA 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 10, 11, 12

Daniel Howard
Student Council 10; NHS 11; FCCLA 11; DECA 12; FFA 10, 11, 12; Lit Mag 12; Mar Band 9, 10, 11

Maryann Hudgins
VICA 10; FFA 10, 11, 12; Chorus 10

Natalie Hudgins
Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; JV Basketball 9, 10; Ind. Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12

Kelly Hughes
Chorus 9, 12

Lena Huntley
Ind. Track 9; Student Council 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; ITS 10, 11, 12; Keywanettes 10, 11, 12; Chorus 11; Spanish Club 10; Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Theatre 9, 10, 11, 12

Brian Hyder
Ind. Track 10, 12; Mascot 12; Track 9, 10

Thomas Hyleman
Lacrosse 10, 11; FFA 10, 11

Jared Jenkins
No Activities Listed

Brittany Jones
Cheer JV 10; Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10; NHS 11, 12; CTE Scholar 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; FFA 11, 12; FCCLA 10, 11, 12; Photo 11; Mock Trial 12; GeoSci 9; French 9; BASIC 9; FCA 9, 10, 11, 12; Band 9; Crime stop 11, 12; SWAT 10

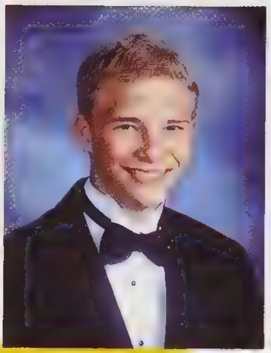
David Jordan
No Activities Listed

Christopher Justus
Football JV 9, 10, V 11, 12; Baseball JV 9; Student Council 9, 10 ,11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key Club 11, 12; Spanish 10, 11, 12; yearbook 9

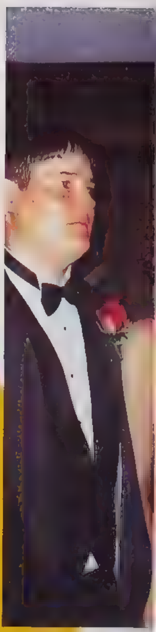
Tracey Justus
Volleyball JV 9, 10, V 10, 11, 12; Softball V 9, 10; Student Council 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; HOSA 11; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish 10, 11, 12; BASIC 9, 10, 11, 12; FCA 9, 10, 11, 12

Grant Keaser
Football JV 9, 10 V 11, 12; Baseball JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; N.H.S. 11, 12; Key 11, 12; Skills USA 10; Spanish 10, 11

Mark Kimbro
Football JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Track 10



Memories made through the years.

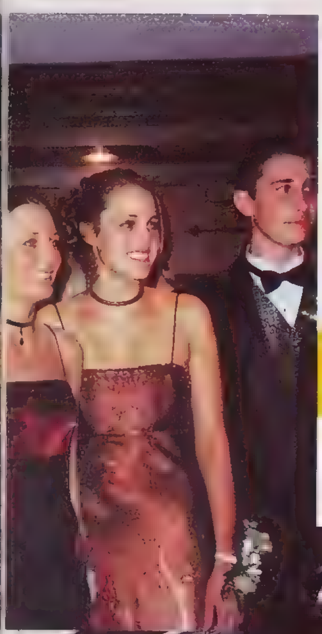


"I will never forget my first year playing basketball; it was a game against Owen high school and I scored my very first 3-pointer", said senior Jason Colozzo. Many seniors remember from freshman year when walking the halls seemed like a nerve-wrecking obstacle, to senior year with graduation anticipation and plans for the future.

"I will remember the little moments, all the silly ones no one ever remembers," said senior Kelda Sluder. "The hardest thing about graduation will be leaving all the friends I have made along the way, and all the teachers who have impacted my life,."

While some seniors may cherish those little moments that often went unnoticed, others will take with them the embarrassing movements they thought they would never live down."I will never forget my freshman year when I was nervous of the thought of getting lost, and when I was leaving lunch and throwing away my tray, I accidentally threw my wallet away with my tray," said senior Robin D'Augusta.

Through the years, seniors have made ties and experienced moments that will last a lifetime. Those moments are memories that will be forever cherished.



For many seniors, prom is the moment they won't forget. Jason Livingston (from west), Kelda Sluder, Kristen Evans, and Kyle Starling stop for a pic. Photo courtesy of Kelda Sluder

Good times require good friends. Heather Madrid, Ashley Brooks, and Holly Burgess have fun hat a Lacrosse game in Waynesville with Mr. Rankin. Photo courtesy of Heater Madrid

Ashley Collins

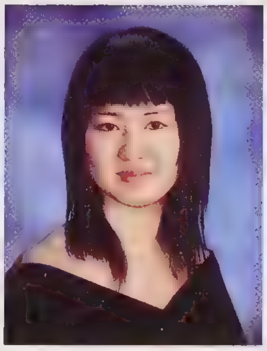
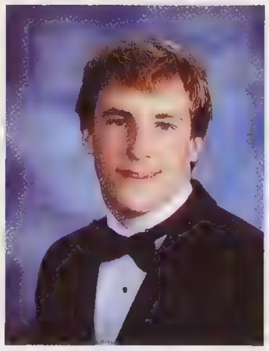
Age: 17

Favorite color: yellow

Favorite Band: Aerosmith

Favorite Movie: A Walk To Remember

Favorite Quote: "You have to take the good with the bad, smile with the sad, love what you have, and remember what you had. Always forgive but never forget, learn from your mistakes, but never regret. People change, things go wrong just remember life goes on."

Kelly King

No activities listed

Lindsey King

No activites Listed

Joseph Labaw

CC 10, 11; Ind. Track 10; Track 10; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; Quiz Team 11; Mock Trial 11, 12; Spanish 10, 11

Karen Landert

AHS 11, 12; FBLA 11, 12; Photo 11, 12; Lit Mag 12; Spanish 10

Laura Laughter

HOSA 10; FCCLA 11, 12

Felicia Lewis

Tennis 9; Track 11; HOSA 11, 12

Benjamin Lillard

Lacrosse 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; Spanish 10, 11

Chava London

V Volley 12

Talisha Long

No activities Listed

Lauren Lovern

CC 11; AHS 12; FCCLA 10; French 10

Megan Lynch

JV Volley 9, 10; V Volley 11, 12; Dance 12; Ind. Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; FCCLA 9; FCA 9, 10

Maki Maeda

JV Cheer 11; Track 11

Benjamin Marlowe

No activities listed

Shannon Martin

Step Team 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 11;

Noemi Martinez

CC 10, 11, 12; Ind Track 11; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 12; NHS 11, 12; HOSA 10, 12; Mar Band 9; Spanish 10, 11, 12

Kayla Maxwell

DECA 11

Stephanie McCall

Mascot 12; Student Council 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; ITS 11, 12; Key 11; Quiz Team 12; Mock Trial 11, 12; Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12; French 10, 11, 12; Musical 10, 11, 12; Theatre 11, 12; Yearbook 10

Kaley McCormack

No Activities Listed

Stephen McMahan

No Activities Listed

Michaela McMinn

CTE 11, 12; HOSA 10, 11, 12; Strings 9

Johnathan McSwain

DECA 12

Megan Murray

HOSA 10, 11; Theatre 10, 11

Cody Newman

FFA 12; Band 9, 10, 11; Shooting 9, 10, 11, 12; Archery 9, 10, 11

Jerred Nix

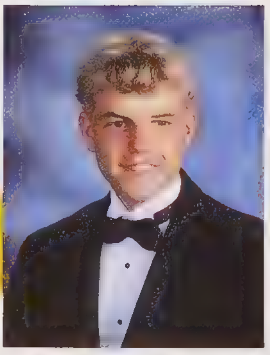
CTE Scholars11,12; FFA 10, 11, 12; Shooting 11, 12; Archery 11, 12

William Nix

Football JV 10; V 12; Basketball JV 9, 10; Soccer (Ind.) 11; Golf 12; Track 11, 12; Key 9, 10, 11, 12;FBLA 9

Eric Noblett

Track 10, 11; Band 9, 10, 11, 12



College:

Seniors prepare for another freshman year.

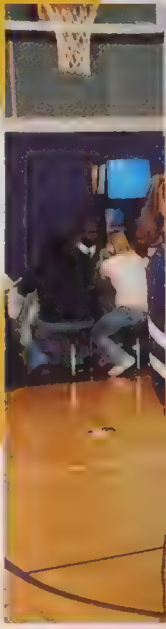
"I'm really excited and a little nervous. I can't wait to learn new things and make new friends, but I'll miss my family and friends a lot," commented Senior, Brittney Storm.

Some seniors were stressing over SAT's and colleges. For example, deciding what college to go to. Studying for the SAT's, paying for the test, and actually taking the test, was also very stressful. A lot of students push themselves to pass the SAT's, so that they will be accepted into the college of their choice.

Preparing for college, was probably the most stressful, besides the SAT's. Students had to make sure grades are up, start to look for colleges, get college information, fill out applications, go to open houses, and wait to see what college you've been accepted to.

Even though preparing for college was stressful, it can also be a lot of fun. "It's fun looking at different colleges and going to their open houses, to see what the campus and people are like. It's a good opportunity to see what college is the best for you," explained Senior Jessica Crocker. Sometimes if a student had a friend in college, they can go stay with them for a weekend and be can shown around the campus.

So even though preparing for college can be very stressful, it has its advantages. Once they get past the SAT's, the applications, and being accepted to the college of your choice, freshman year in college will be an experience of a lifetime.



Tiffany Stewart

Age: 18

Favorite color: turquoise

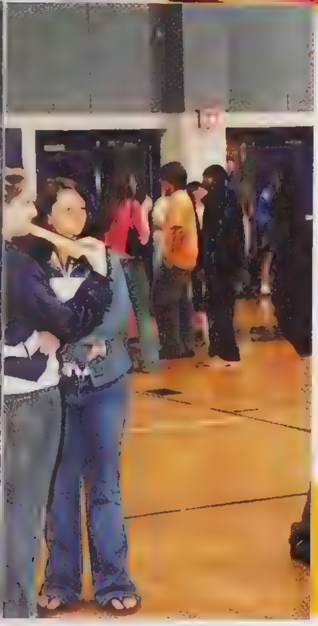
Favorite Band: Evanescence

Favorite movie: Just Married

Favorite Quote: "Life may not be the party we hoped for, but we might as well dance while we're here."

Preparing for college: It's neat to have the oppurtunity to look around, see what you like or don't like and make a decision.

A group of students get some information at the college fair, to get ready for college. Students find this a good experience to find out what to expect. Photo by K.Hester



Lindsey King and Chava London are trying to decide where to go next. There were so many choices, sometimes it was hard to decide. Photo by K.Hester

Matt Osborne

DECA 12

Jamie Ozmun

Student Council 12; FBLA 10; DECA 12; Chorus 10, 11;Spanish 12; Theatre 9

Amanda Parks

HOSA 12; Musical 10, 11, 12; Theatre 9, 10, 11 ,12

Chelsey Parnell

No Activities Listed

Jana Pierson

Student Council 9, 10, 12; N.H.S. 11, 12; ITS 11; Quiz Team 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; French; BASIC 9, 10, 11, 12; Musical 11

Jacob Pitillo

Football V 12; Basketball JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Track 9; N.H.S 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; Geoscience 9

Amber Pittman

Chorus 9, 10, 11

Bethany Player

Softball JV 10, V 9; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Crimestop 9, 10, 11, 12

Ashley Postel

No Activities Listed

Danyelle Postel

No Activities Listed

Nicholas Rankin

Lacrosse 10, 11, 12; Student Council 11, Skills USA 9; Crimestop 10; FCA 12

Samantha Ray

FBLA 12; Spainish Club 10

Cody Robertson
Baseball JV 9, 10; Interact 11; Skills USA 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12

Nelda Rodriguez
FBLA 12; Chorus 10; AIM 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 12

Frannie Rodgers
Yearbook 11

Stephanie Rowsam
CTE Scholar 12; DECA 11, 12

Megan Suave
Soccer V 11, 12; Soccer (indoor) 12; Golf 12; Student Council 11, 12

Justin Schott
Skills USA 12; Band 9, 10, 11

Kristen Schultz
Soccer V 9, 10; HOSA 10; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Crimestop 10; SWAT 10

Maricela Silva
Soccer V 11; Soccer (ind) 12; AIM 11, 12; Spanish 12

Nikki Sims
No Activities Listed

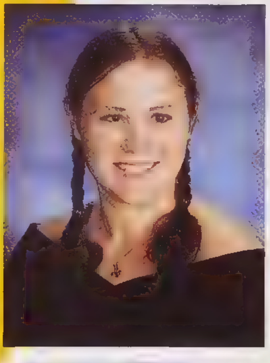
Jeremy Sinclar
Basketball JV 9; Spirit Squad 11, 12; FFA 10, 12

Holly Sizemore
Soccer (Ind) 11; Track 11, 12; Student Council 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12

Kelda Sluder
Volleyball JV 9, 10, V 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; FCCLA 9; Quiz Team 11, 12; BASIC 12; FCA 9, 10, 11; Math Team 10; Junior Marshal 11

Elisha Smith
No Activities Listed

Amanda Soucie
No Activities Listed



Seniors:
Embracing Changes

By Corey Williams and Erica Colecio

Senior year was a special year, but also a year full of responsibilities. It was a time to get ready for the "real world," and the future that lay ahead. Although students had many new responsibilities, they also had many new freedoms, such as leaving class early, teacher assistants, and early dismissals. Seniors seem to enjoy many of the privileges, which gives them time to be with friends.

Seniors agree that the biggest change when becoming a senior was a lot more responsibilities. They worried about applying for college, being accepted into a college, and SAT scores. These three things affect the rest of their lives and make being a senior extremely stressful.

Seniors felt mixed emotions in their last year of high school. "I'm glad I get to go to college, and move on to something different, but I'm going to miss a lot of my friends," says Senior Chris Justus. Some were sad and some were happy to get out. When asked are you sad or glad, Megan Lynch, Senior answered, "I'm glad because I can get to move on and go to college and start my life."

Change can be for the better or for the worse. Good changes seemed to be that seniors had more freedom and respect. Bad included were facing more responsibilities, Zach Brown used a quote from Robert Frost to tell how he felt about being a senior, "I feel good, in the words of Robert Frost, I have miles to go before I sleep."

Kristen Glass gets in her car after school. Seniors got to park at the top of the parking lot so there was not much of a walk to school. Photo by B. Griffith

A group of Seniors stand next to their next class after getting out of class early. Seniors enjoyed the senior privelage of getting out of class early. Photo by B. Griffith

Kelda Sluder

Age: 17

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Movie: "Serendipity"

Favorite Band: Allison Krauss & Union Station

Favorite Quote: "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everyone." Bill Cosby

"When you're a senior you're expected to do a lot more on your own. You are now the top class no one is there to do the job for you."

Cory Starling

Track 9, 10; CTE Scholars 12; HOSA 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10

Kyle Starling

Baseball JV 9, 10; Lacrosse 12; Student Council 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12

Brent Stepp

Swim 12; Baseball JV 9, 10, V 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; FCA 9, 10

Havis Stepp

AHS 11, 12; French 9, 10

Chad Stevens

Photography 11; Newspaper 12

Corey Stevens

No Activities Listed

Tiffany Stewart

Basketball JV 9, 10; Student Council 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Key 10, 11; Mock Trial 11, 12; Crimestop 9, 10, 11, 12; BASIC 10; Yearbook 10; FCA 10, 11

Brittany Storm

Cheerleading JV 10; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Jey 10, 11, 12; Mock Trial 11, 12; Crimestop 9, 10, 11, 12; Yearbook 9, 10; FCA 9, 10, 11, 12

Andrew Swafford

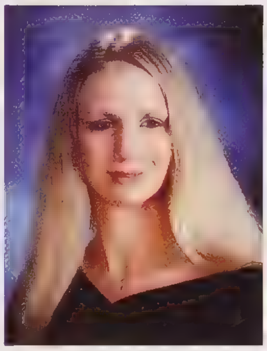
No Activities Listed

Whitney Swaringen

No Activities Listed

Lori Talbot

NHS 11; FBLA 12; Photography 11; Lit Mag 12; Spanish 11, 12; Musical 9, 10; Theater 9, 10; CTE Scholars 12; Yearbook 12



Lynsey Tatters

AHS 11, 12; Strings 10

Mathew Taylor

No Activities Listed

Robin Tindle

No Activities Listed

Eber Valdez
No Activities Listed

Kristina Vaughan
No Activities Listed

Daniel Walker
Football V 12; Lacrosse 10, 11, 12

Nicholas Walker
Soccer V 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12; Soccer (Ind) 10, 11, 12; Student Council 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12

Nickengie Wallace
Cheerleading JV 9, V 10, 11, 12; Soccer V 9; Volleyball JV 9, V 10; Dance 9, 10, 11, 12; Step 10, 11; Track 9; Spanish 10, 11; Theater 10, 11, 12

Jacqueline Watts
Basketball JV 9; Track (Ind) 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 12; NHS 11, 12; CTE Scholars 11, 12; Key 10, 11, 12; DECA 10, 11, 12 Mar Band 9

Douglas Westcott
Wrestling 10, 11;

Heather Whittington
No Activities Listed

Quentin Williams
No Activities Listed

Jacob Willingham
CC 10, 11, 12; Soccer (Ind) 11; Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Swim 12;

Megan Wilson
Cheerleading V 12; Dance 10, 11, 12; Swim 9; AHS 9, 10, 11; Key 11; FCCLA 10; Chorus 11; Musical 10, 12; Theatre 12

Ashley Woody
Cheer 9, 10, 11, 12; Dance 11, 12; Theatre 9

Graduating High School is one the greatest goals that is accomplished in a persons life. Though it is a very great accomplishment, it is only a small step towards having a successful life and a decent job.

College is the next opportunity of higher learning. At college, you better prepare yourself for life and are made ready to enter the working world.

As everyone knows, almost every person has had a dream college since they were young. Senior Jake Pittillo said, "I have always wanted to go to Carolina, but it is really hard to get into, so I think I would like to go to Clemson." Jake has had a few offers from some small colleges to play basketball; he hasn't made up his mind whether he will continue to play or not.

Many graduates, however, have succeeded in going to their dream college, like Wolfpack freshman Karlie Justus, who has been a N.C. State fan since she was born.

"I really like N.C. State; I don't like how it is far away from home, but it is a really nice big school, and it is a lot of fun. I get to meet some of the athletes and make new friends here." Karlie said.

But students didn't always have to go to a big school to be content. Another graduate from

Justin Schott works in the career center with Mr. Edwards to help plan for his future. Mr. Edwards helps students choose the college that is right for them. Photo by B. Griffith

Grant Keaser

Age: 17

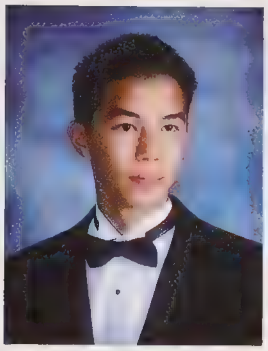
Favorite Color: Clear

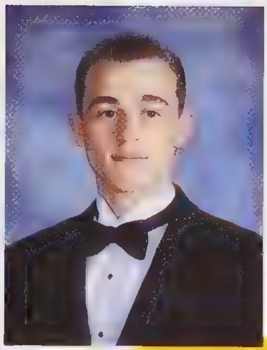
Favorite Band: Ozzy Osbourne

Favorite Movie: Dodgeball

Favorite Quote: "It's all relative."

College you are hope to attend: Auburn or Florida





Edward Worlund

CC 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11; Lacrosse 12; NHS 11, 12; Spanish 9, 10, 12; FCA 10, 12

Levi Wright

Basketball JV 9, 10; Basketball V 11, 12; Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Key 10, 11; DECA 9, 10; Spanish 10; FCA 9, 10, 11

Joshua Wullenweber

Track 9; HOSA 9, 10, 11, 12

Eun Yi

NHS 11, 12; Interact 12; HOSA 10; FCCLA 9; Chorus 9, 10, 11; Crimestop 9, 10, 11, 12; BASIC 12

Samantha Young

Student Council 9, 10, 11; Key 10, 11; FBLA 12; Photography 11; Lit Mag 12; SWAT 9, 10, 11; French 10, 11; BASIC 9; Musical 11; Theatre 10, 11; FCA 9

Robbie Zehrung

Lacrosse 11; Spanish 11; Musical 11; Theatre 10, 11, 12

Swish! Senior Jake Pittillo had a great senior season that may have attracted a few college scouts. Photo by B. Griffith

Later:

What to expect from college

North, Ross Sain, took classes at Blue Ridge, and worked at Home Depot in his spare time.

Ross said, "I enjoy being close to home with my friends and family; I also get to make good money while I don't have classes, and when I'm working." Ross planned to get an automotive degree.

The new generation of workers for our economy will come from the senior class and will be expected to take on new responsibilities to help make the world be a better place. With their help, the economy will flourish.

Seniors With No Photo Available

Teodoro Arriaga
Alina Botezat
Sasha Breeze
Craig Brevard
J.D. Ebert
James Foster
Roger King
Anthony Moore
Jonathan Morgan
Jesse Overcash - In Memoriam
Scott Reynaud-Randall
Danny Rhodes
John Spiracos
Miguel Vera
Mark Villanueva

Making Contact

By Jason Guillén and Kasi Dowdle

From the first football game to the last baseball game, athletics gave the school enthusiasm.

With the fierce determination and **desire to win**, sports weren't just about the statistics but making contact.

Student athletes make contact with their opponents during games. Every blocked shot, interception, tackle or steal, regardless of the sport, involved physical contact. In fact, in some sports, it's all about contact. Just imagine wrestling without holds, or football without tackles.

But contact isn't just about competition. Students who play sports also make contact by reaching out to their teammates. Performance in sports depends on trust, which comes from creating friendships with each other.

So, on or off the field or court, sports are all about making contact.

GO, GO, GO! Noemi Martinez is in the lead. North girls made it to the state run-offs again this year. Photo by Lifetouch.

Max Ruehlen avoids a sack by passing at the last minute. Max plays receiver and quarterback on the Varsity football team this year. Photo by B. Griffith

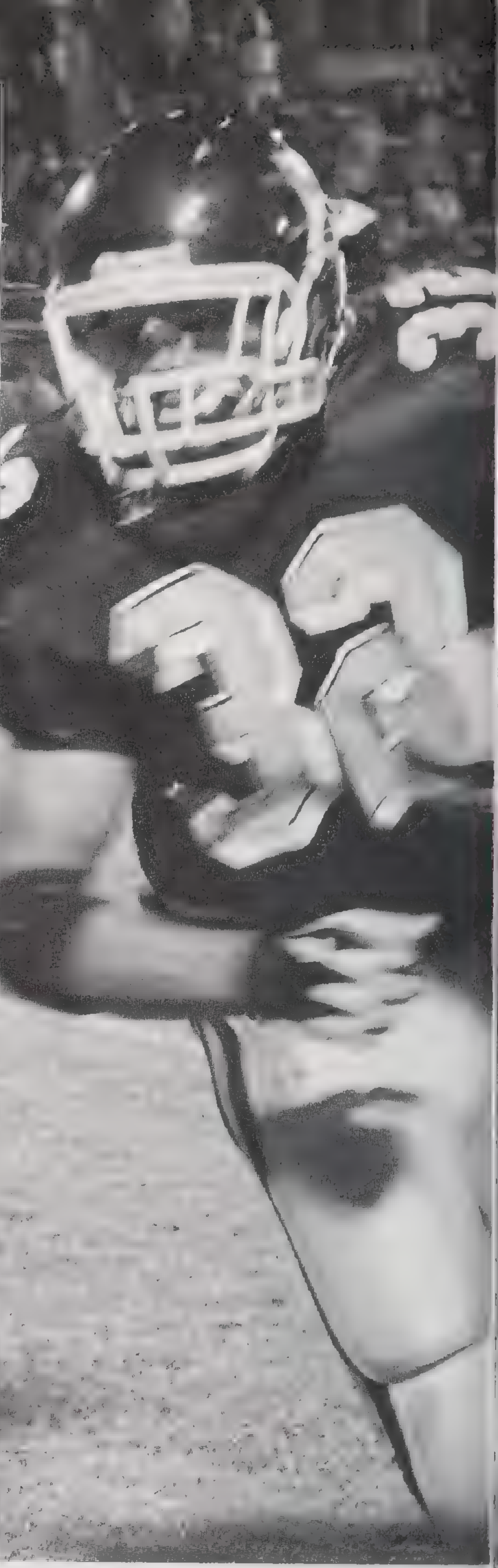
Serve it! Brittany Enloe was one of the star players on the Varsity Volleyball team. Photo by B. Griffith

Nick Jackson sets up for kick! Nick is one of just a few sophomores on the varsity team. Photo by B. Griffith

Take it to the limit

by Tyler Sain

Ben Marlow avoids this tackle but the team is faced with many injuries.



Overall, the varsity football team had a tough season this year; not having many seniors and a number of injuries didn't help.

Even though they didn't have a winning season this year, the football team kept up the hard work during games and practice. Both players Senior, Zach Brown and Junior, Daniel Henniger said, "The practices were pretty hard, but they got easier as the week went on, so we wouldn't be tired for the games."

No matter what happened they never gave up and came together to win twice and finish seventh in the conference.

Another memorable event was when they got to play at Western Carolina University against the Pisgah Bears. Daniel said, "It was really exciting playing at Western because it was my first time playing at a college stadium, and it was good experience." They played with much enthusiasm against the Bears. Even though they didn't win, it gave the entire football team a lot of experience.

Almost every game was a struggle because the lack of size, strength, speed and experience. For example, the game against the Owen War Horses was one of the games they lost, they lost 0 to 46. Even though of the bad loss they never gave up hope and kept up the fight to win a game.

This season filled with memorable things. "The most memorable thing about this season was when we beat Coach Bailey," said Zach Brown. This was the one game that they had to win because they had to show the old coach, Jeff Bailey, how good they were. They came out with the outstanding 13-12 victory against the West Falcons to put them out of the being able to go to the playoffs.

Even though our football team had a tough season and many expectations to uphold, they did incredible in keeping their spirits up. In conclusion, they had a fun and exciting season of football.

Push it! William Harden stretches for yards during the Homecoming Game against Mitchell. Photo by B. Griffith

Get There! Mark Kimbro gets the ball and runs for a touchdown during the Homecoming game. Photo by B. Griffith

Ready, Go! The offensive line steps up to the line of scrimmage and Carson Rhodes hikes the ball to Max Rhuelen. Photo by B. Griffith

What a Catch! Max Rhuelen scrambles against three Hendersonville Bearcats after catching a pass thrown by Randy Cox. Photo by B. Griffith

Justin Lamb

Age:16

Height: 5'10"

Other sports played: Baseball & Basketball

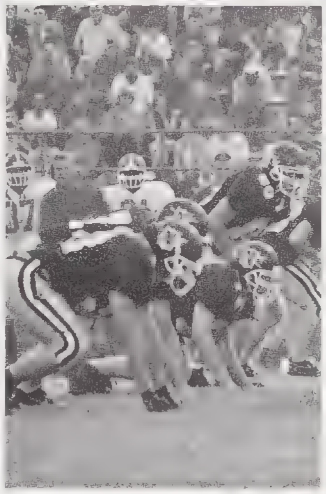
Favorite Sport: Undecided

Favorite Subject: Math

Favorite Quote: "Go for it"

Favorite Movie: Rocky

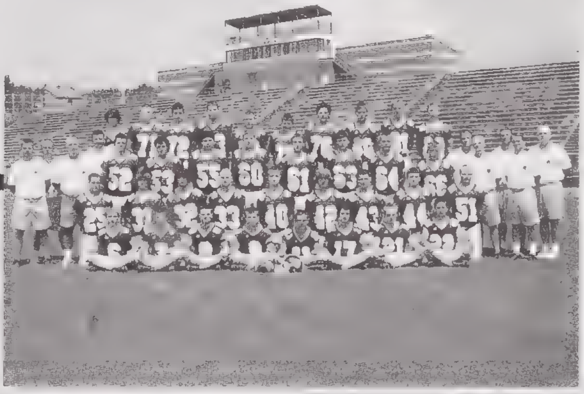
Reason for Playing this sport: Loves to play the sport



Watch as the defense steps up to the line of scrimmage to stop the other team from getting ahead in the game. Photo by B. Griffith

2004 Varsity Boys Football

Date	Opponent/	Location	Score	Win/Loss
AUG 19	Hayesville	Away	6-22	Loss
AUG 27	Hendersonville	Home	0-28	Loss
Sep 3	East Henderson	Away	12-37	Loss
Sep 10	Brevard	Away	0-35	Loss
Sep 21	Mtn. Heritage	Home	13-26	Loss
Sep 24	Owen	Home	0-43	Loss
Oct 1	Pisgah	Away	0-40	Loss
Oct 8	Open	-	-	-
Oct 15	Mitchell	Home	24-33	Loss
Oct 22	Avery	Home	7-35	Loss
Oct 29	Madison	Away	21-6	Win
Nov 5	West	Away	13-12	Win



Ben Marlow, Brandon Crocker, Mike Polk, Daniel Henniger, Max Ruehlen, Randy Cox, Josh Conner, Tyler Lamb, Tyler Nix, Daniel Walker, Mark Kimbro, Kyle Wolfe, Colby Lanning, Brandon Pryor, Justin Lamb, William Hardin, Zach Brown, Carson Rhodes, Patrick McDonald, Valentin Deleon, Matthew McMurray, Grant Keaser, Boone Robinson, Chris Justus, Jason Niehoff, Coach Duncan, Coach Hilliard, Coach Howard, Coach Coren, Ian Gilbert, Dewayne Moreno, Zac Jones, Robert Beal, Michael Lacy, Brandon Ward, Steven Hart, Josh Penland, Jake Pittillo, Bradley Ray, Coach Rhodes, Coach Frady, Luke Manuel Head Coach, Doctor Durham, Coach Loving. Photo by Lifetouch

Sophomores Dakota Benson and Kelly Hart get focused before the game. These two young men proved themselves to be valuable assets this season. Photo by B. Griffith

Freshman Canaan Cox takes the ball upfield against Pisgah. This season Canaan established himself as a major threat on the field. Photo by B. Griffith

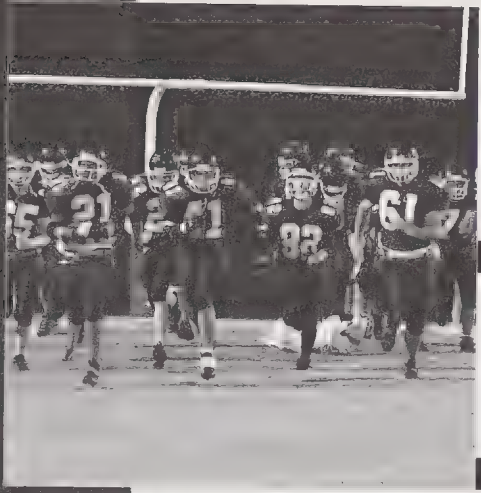
Andrew Kimbro shakes up a potential tackler, sending him to the ground. This year was explosive for Andrew, who proved that football talent may be genetic. Photo by B. Griffith

A group of defenders,led by Micheal Beamish, stop a Pisgah running back dead in his tracks. Beamish was also a strong offensive player. Photo by Billy Grifith.

Josh Hewell,Patrick Garren,William Fraiser,Cory Justus,Sterling Ducker, Bryan Lamb, Kendal Edwards, Josh Goldstein, Mike Beamish, Brad Gass, Kelly Hart, Mike Lolly, Dustin Robinson, Kyle Collins, Tyler Walker, Scott Lindsey, Jared Harris, Aaron Stewart, Andrew Kimbro, Tyler Spangler, Trevor Williams, Luke Bradley. Photo by Life Touch.

2004 Junior Varsity Football

Date	Opponent	Location	Score	W/L
8-14	Jamboree	away		N/A
8-26	Hendersonville	away		loss
9-2	East	Home		loss
9-9	Brevard	Home		loss
9-16	Mnt. Heritage	away		win
9-23	Owen	away		loss
9-30	Pisgah	Home		loss
10-7	Open	N/A	N/A	N/A
10-14	Mitchell	away		loss
10-21	Avery	away		loss
10-28	Madison	Home		loss
11-4	West	Home		loss



Putting in Some Hard Work

By: Steven Hart

The JV Football team charges through the field to prepare for their big game.

The J.V. Football season proved itself to be a lot of hard work. Coming down to what mattered most, wins and losses seem irrelevant next to the time, effort, and dedication put forth by this team of young athletes. Long hours of conditioning, and the grueling task of perfecting each individual's assignment on the field made for a practice schedule that was guaranteed to whip these athletes into top shape.

But it also promised more. The time spent with other teamates both on and off the field forged lasting friendships. The team worked together and never gave up, no matter the outcome. In victory, they rejoiced together, and in defeat they grieved together.

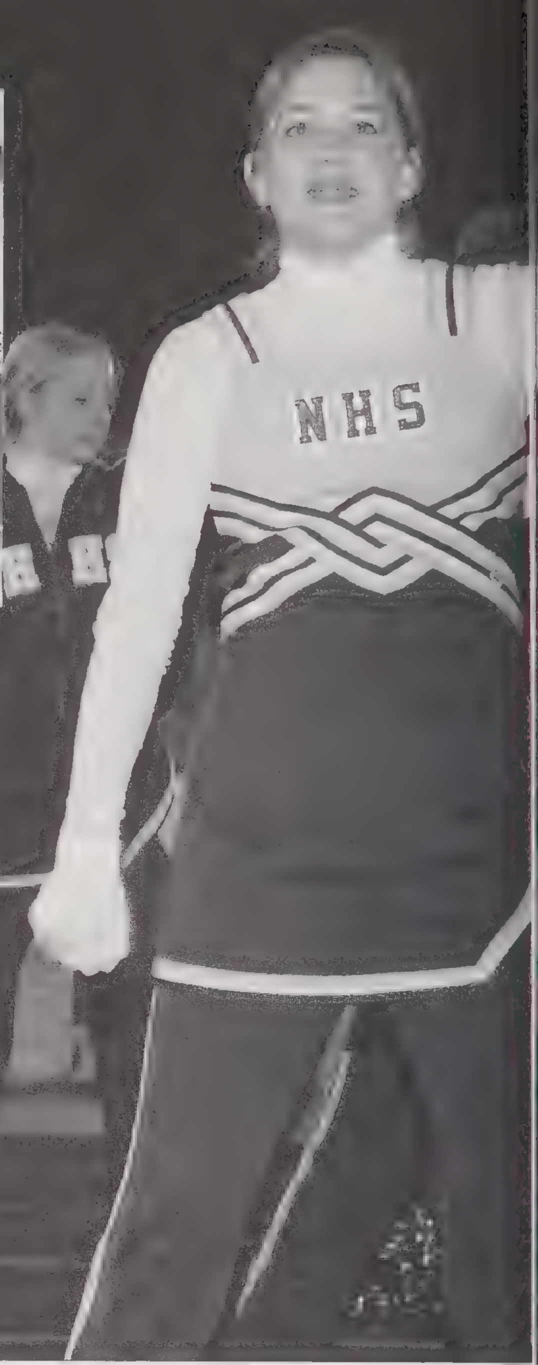
In the face of defeat, the junior varsity squad stuck together, continued working hard, and steadily formed a strong bond of talent and devotion that led to their first win against Mountain Heritage, a game in which they released all of their heart and emotion that led to a blow out against the Cougars 34-12; North.

According to Freshman Josh Goldstein, the keys to a good team are "a good coach, alot of heart, and talent." These are the basic components of a strong team, and having spent an entire season working on these attributes, this team can only get better. With an entire off season workout schedule ahead of them there seems to be no end to the work for these young men. The season may have seemed like a losing one, if you focus on the scoreboard, but in terms of friendship, teamwork, and and talent development, the season was a success.

Andrew Kimbro; what else can said? Showing his break away speed, Andrew Kimbro blows by a defender, gets plenty of separation, and leads his team downfield for a huge gain against the Pisgah Bears. Andrew Kimbro had one of the most increadible starting seasons of any of the freshman runningbacks in the league. Photos by Billy Griffith.

Smells like Team Spirit

By: Jason Guillén and Kasi Dowdle



Cheerleaders show dedication even when injured.

"Let's go knights." The Varsity Cheerleaders shouted preparing the crowd to get pepped up for the upcoming game. "It's the cheerleaders' job; they are ambassadors to the school," Varsity Coach Tanya Shook said.

Cheering requires a lot of concentration when they are at games showing spirit and doing stunts. Jennifer Wolfe, sophomore said "It requires a lot of concentration you need to know if you're on offense or defense for which cheer we should do." Junior Jeni Norman said "You need a lot of memory but you need rhythm and concentration too."

You need to be in the right spot at the right time, so someone wont get hurt but it could turn into something ironic " I remember this one time at camp when Brittany Sellers broke her wrist and then the next day I hurt my knee," Junior Amy Sweezy Reminisced.

Some cheerleaders like Amy have been cheering since first grade in youth football and they are still actively involved. "My best friend cheered and said how much fun it was and now I love it," Jennifer said.

Some people believe that cheerleading isn't a sport but some of the cheerleaders would disagree. Ashley Woody Senior said "I think we practice the same and some things we do is a little more complicated then the sports teams… We have to throw people in the air!" So as you can see cheerleading is a very competitive sport.

ANNIE PEARL WADDELL

Age:17

Height:5'5

Other Sports Played:Softball

Favorite Sport:Softball

Favorite Subject:Advanced PE

Favorite Quote:Whatever you put your mind to, you can do.

Favorite Movie:Remember the Titans

Favorite Part of Cheering:Showing spirit and going to games

Go fight win! Kayla Swann cheers on at the homecoming football game. Kayla is cheering on both football and basketball squads. Photo by B. Griffith

Pump it up. Cheerleaders show that spirit as the players come onto the court. Photo by B. Griffith

Let it fly! Each cheerleader plays an important part in their stunts and showing spirit for the team. Photo by Lifetouch

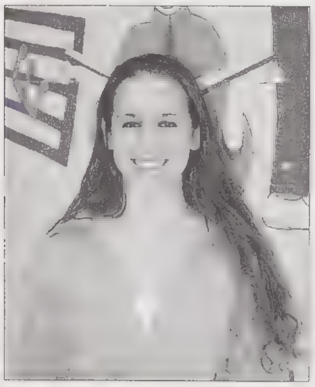
Football: Back Vannesa Davis, Annie Waddel, Jeni Norman, Jennifer Wolfe, Ashley Calloway Second Jessica Loveday, Kayla Swain, Hilary Corn, Brainna Bushely, Jill Ayscue Front Ashley Woody, Amy Sweezy, Brittany Sellers, Morgan Drake

Basketball: Back Jorden Griffen Branna Bushely, Jessica Loveday, Joseyln Batemon, Jene Norman, Coach Shook, Lacresha Holbert, Jennifer Wolfe, Courtney Barnwell, Kayla Swain Caitlyn Rosbero, Second Megan Wilson, Front Nikki Wallace, Vanessa Davis

Amy Sweezy always shows her spirit and her smile at the peprallies to keep the crowd entertained. Amy has been envolved in cheerleading since she was in the first grade and enjoys the excitement of it.
Photo by F. Gore

Football cheerleading: back: Megan Wood, Samantha Veruete, Crista Heatherly, Christine Young, Amanda McGrail. 2nd row: Rikki Norman, Alicia Stonecpher, Jordan Griffin, Caitlin Rosborough. 1st row: Courtney Barnwell, Jennifer Kitchen, Lauren Odom.

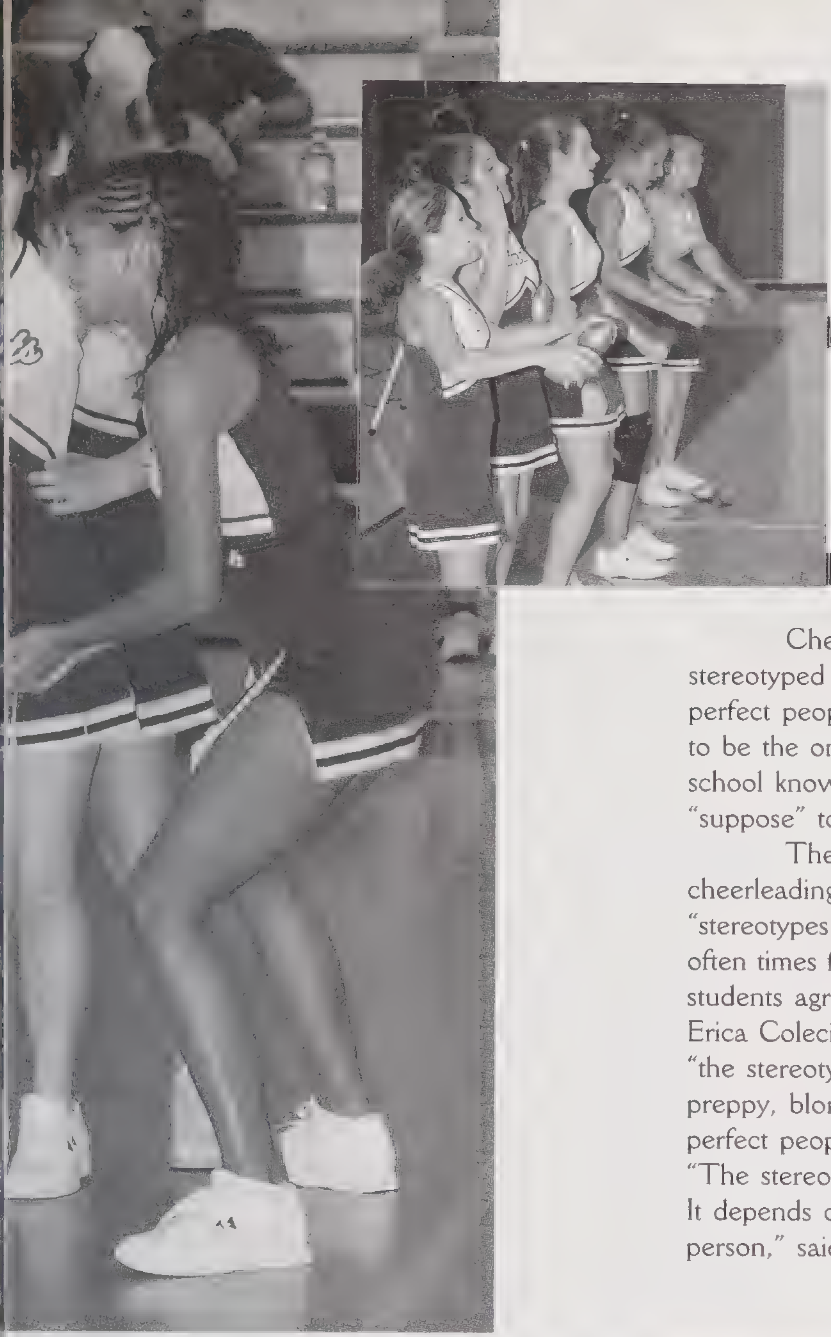
Basketball Cheerleading: Back: Crista Heatherly, Michelle Dills, Megan Wood, Coach Faulkner, Jennifer Kitchen, Katelyn Kmieciak, Samantha Veruete, Christine Young. Front: Rikki Norman and Jessica Reynolds.



I enjoyed cheering because I got to support our team and be encouraging."
~Lauren Odom~

"It was fun to interact with other girls when I don't usually talk to"
~Jennifer Kitchen~

"I'm loud and energized and I like to get the crowd involved."
~Sarah Maldonado~



Pumping Them up

by Courtney Capps and Corey Williams

Jordon Griffin, Samantha Veruete, Lauren Odom, Courtney Barnwell, and Rikki Norman pump up the freshmen during a peprally.

Cheerleaders have been stereotyped as preppy, pretty, popular, perfect people. They are "supposed" to be the ones who walk around school knowing everything or they are "suppose" to be ditzy and blonde.

The junior varsity cheerleading coach, A. Faulkner, said "stereotypes can be harsh and are often times false." Many of the students agree with this statement. Erica Colecio, junior, agrees. She said "the stereotype of cheerleaders being preppy, blonde, ditzy, pretty, popular, perfect people is not always true." "The stereotypes aren't always true. It depends on the personality of the person," said freshman, Riki Norman.

Sophomore, Jennifer Kitchen, said "the only stereotype that I think of that is true about the cheerleaders is that they are ditzy." But for the most part cheerleaders all say that the stereotypes don't bother them because they know that they are just a bunch of words.

All the stereotypes that students hear about cheerleaders are the images that the movies put into their heads. Junior Brooke Powers said "when people read books and magazines and watch T.V they get all of these stereotypes in their head about what cheerleaders are like and generally the stereotypes are wrong."

The cheerleaders try to do a stunt (above) at a basketball game. The cheerleaders must always practice hard to have everything just right when they actually perform. Photo by B. Griffith

During halftime at a game the cheerleaders practice their stunt building skills for all the crowd to see (left). They practice long hours to make sure they know what they are doing. Photo by B. Griffith

At a home football game the J.V cheerleaders get the crowd motivated for a great game (right). Cheerleaders are trained to yell and shout to get the crowd going. Photo by Lifetouch.

Defense, mighty mighty defense! Christine Young, Caitlin Rosborough, Jordan Griffin, Jennifer Kitchen, and Lauren Odom cheer on the Knights in their game against Mitchell. Photo by Lifetouch

Can We Repeat?

by Carson Rhodes

Keep it up! Mike Dowling works hard, to try to repeat as Conference Champs

The Soccer team started slowly with what looked like would be a dismal season. At one point all men's sports combined record was 1 and 9, and soccer had the only win.

"We had good players," Senior Marden Rodriguez said, "they were all willing to work hard."

Maybe that is why the team stepped up and came alive towards the end of the season, when they won seven straight games and made a run to the second round of the state playoffs, where they lost to conference foe Mt. Heritage.

Senior Marden Rodriguez also added, "Everyone worked really hard this year and I was happy with my senior season. I think what made us successful towards the end of the year was that we all wanted to win and we felt we were the best." He replied with a laugh, "I was proud of the little white guys."

There were three seniors on the Soccer team this year. They were not only leaders, but they were all also major contributors to the team. Marden led the team in goals, and Nick Walker was an "extraordinary goalie" according to the J.V. coach, Mr. King. Also, Alberto Hernandez inspired the team with his attitude and excitement. Alberto was also the place kicker for the football team.

The team played very well and beat a higher seed in the playoffs by a score of 6-3, which was a great way to go into a game against the WHC Conference champ Cougars of Mt. Heritage. They lost 3-2, but put forth an excellent effort to end their season.

As far as post-high school play, most of the players will only play for fun, but they will always remember how they pulled together and fought to win more games towards the end of the season and played like a team.

"We all wanted to win, and felt we were the best."

Wayne Nock and DT Studebaker get the team ready to play. These two players usually led the chants at the games, such as OY, OY, OY. Photo by B. Grittith

Aqui! Aqui! Marden Rodriguez led the Knights in scoring this year. He was a team leader in his senior year. Marden was a great player for the team. Photo by B. Griffith

BACK ROW: Coach Hart, Nick Walker, Alberto Hernandez, Colby Moon, Mike Dowling, Kale Wright, James Marshall MIDDLE ROW: Wayne Nock, Alex Von Lautz, D.T. Studebaker, David Castillo, Blake Lewis, Mitch Early FRONT ROW: Ismel Cerezo, Brad Yarbrough, Goerge McKee, Nick Jackson, Marden Rodriguez, Felipe Rojas, Nathaniel White. Photo by Lifetouch.

2004 Varsity Boys Soccer

Date	Opponent/	Location	Score	Win/Loss
Aug. 18	East Henderson	Home	1-3	L
Aug. 23	Hendersonville	Away	0-2	L
Aug. 25	Owen	Home	6-1	W
Aug. 30	Mt. Heritage	Away	2-4	L
Sept. 2	Enka	Away	0-5	L
Sept. 8	Pisgah	Home	1-3	L
Sept. 13	Mitchell	Home	1-3	L
Sept. 15	Avery	Away	0-3	L
Sept. 20	Brevard	Away	2-3	L
Sept. 22	Madison	Home	2-3	L
Sept. 27	West Henderson	Away	6-3	W
Sept. 29	Owen	Away	6-1	W
Oct. 4	Mt. Heritage	Home	2-3	L
Oct. 7	Polk	Away	1-2	L
Oct. 11	Pisgah	Away	3-1	W
Oct. 13	Mitchell	Away	3-3	T
Oct. 18	Avery	Home	2-1	W
Oct. 20	Brevard	Home	2-1	W
Oct. 25	Madison	Away	0-2	L
Oct. 27	West Henderson	Home	1-0	W
Nov. 3	East Rutherford	Away	6-3	W
Nov. 5	Mt. Heritage	Away	2-3	L

Last home game, boy's. The three seniors, Nick Walker, Alberto Hernandez, and Marden Rodriguez are honored before their last home game. Photo by B. Griffith

Goal! Ismel Cerezo is on the attack. Ismel was one of the few sophomores on the varsity team. Next year the young players will step up for the departing seniors. Photo by B. Griffith

Nick Jackson

Age: 15

Height: 5'6"

Other Sports Played: Indoor Soccer

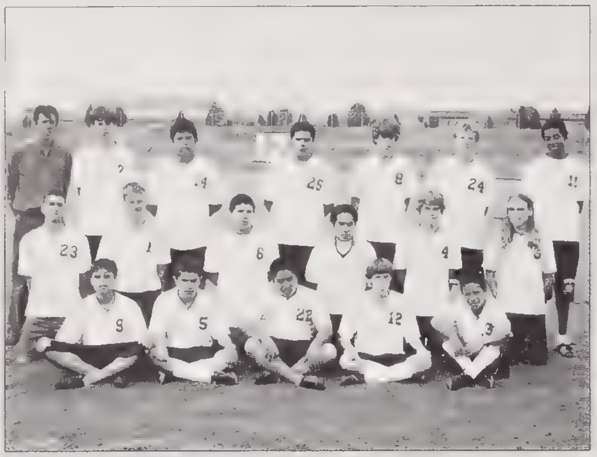
Favorite Sport: Soccer

Favorite Subject: History

Favorite Quote: Just tap it in

Favorite Movie: Half Baked

"I like soccer because it is fast paced and has a lot of action."



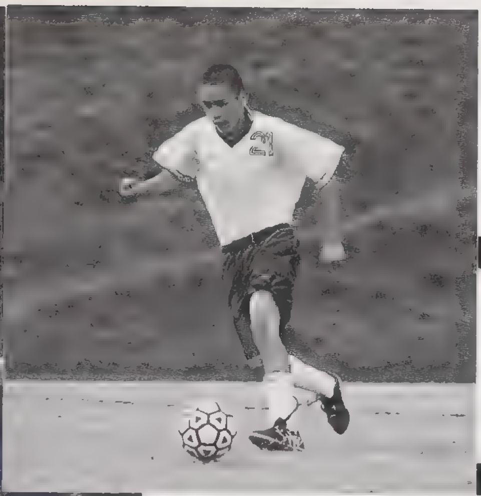
Back row: Coach King, Zach Bonilla, Gilberto, Arturo Escamilla, Cory Johnson, Joriah Mielke, Jordan Garmon, Middle row: Jose Piña, Chandler Taylor, Rigo Corral, Huber Ríos, Sean Sellers, Alex Grant, Front row: Ben Baxley, Bernandino Huerta, Ramiro Garcia, Alan Clancy, Francisco Hernandes Huerta

2004 JV Soccer Team

Date	Opponent/	Location	Score	Win/Loss
Aug 18	East	Home	2-2	
Aug 23	Hendersonville	Away	1-4	Loss
Aug 25	Owen	Home	4-2	Win
Aug 30	Mountain Heritage	Away	2-0	Loss
Sept 15	Avery	Away	4-3	Win
Sept 20	Brevard	Away	0-6	Loss
Sept 29	Owen	Away	6-0	Win
Oct 4	Mountain Heritage	Home	0-4	Loss
Oct 6	West	Away	2-3	Loss
Oct 11	Hendersonville	Home	1-2	Loss
Oct 18	Avery	Home	5-1	Win
Oct 20	Brevard	Home	1-6	Loss
Oct 27	West	Home	3-1	Win

Conference Record: 6-4
Non-Conference Record: 6-7-1

Now that's using your head. Alex Grant, Sophomore, catches some air going up for a save against Brevard's Blue Devils. Soccer requires speed, agility, and stamina, as well as leg strength (and the occasional hard head). Photo by Lifetouch



Stealing the show

Off to the rescue, Gilberto Solis shows off his experience as he steals the ball from Brevard.

Just because they're J.V. doesn't mean the J.V. soccer team has no experience. Many of them have been playing for years. Sophomore Alex Grant said, "I've been playing since I was six. I love it." Other players have been playing even longer, like Shawn Sellers, sophomore, who says he has been playing for 10 years.

The J.V. Soccer team was made of seven freshman, seven sophomores and one junior. Their conference record was 6-4 and their non-conference record was 6-7-1.

Alex Grant, sophomore, had been playing soccer for eleven years. His position was stopper (center 1st defender). Sean Sellers, sophomores, scored eight goals over the season. He played as mid, both Sean and Alex think that their hardest team they played was Brevard.

All of the team members worked hard when they were on the field, but the competition to be the best was fierce. Who were the best players? Freddy Adu, Thierry Henry (a Frenchman) were, according to Sean Sellers and Alex Grant.

The first time they played Brevard they lost 0-6 but the J.V. soccer team came back on the next game, against Owen and beat them 6-0.

They had practice every day after school till 5:30-6:00 pm. While they worked hard they had fun at the same time, because on some of the practices they played against the Varsity Soccer Team.

George McKee, sophomore, a member of the varsity team, said "We had a fun time playing with the J.V. players, sometimes they were arrogant. Most the time, they tried to beat us and every time we scrimmaged they got a little better each time. I also think that Coach King did a good job training the J.V. team.

As a defense player Alex Grant was able to manage his way of getting the ball and clearing it out of the danger zone (North's goal box). Photo By Life touch.

Although many things happen on the field. Rigo Corral was able to take the ball all the way. Rigo played in Mid field. Photo By Life touch.

Cory Johnson Defeated a Brevard player during a home game. Cory played Mid field. Photo courtesy of life touch .

Coach Jennifer Peterson, Heather Lorenz, Tracey Justice, Haley Donaldson, Leah Cagle, Marche' Duckett, Brittany Enloe, Kristen Evens, Kelda Sluder, Chava London, Megan Lynch, and Christina Chavez.

2004 Varsity Girls Volleyball

Date	Opponent/	Location	Score	Win/Loss
Aug 24	Brevard	Away	3-2	Win
Aug 26	Mountian Heritage	Home	3-0	Win
Aug 31	Owen	Home	2-3	Loss
Sept 1	Hendersonville	Home	2-3	Loss
Sept 2	Pisgah	Away	3-0	Win
Sept 9	Mitchell	Home	3-0	Win
Sept14	Avery	Home	3-2	Win
Sept21	West Henderson	Away	3-0	Loss
Sept23	Brevard	Home	3-0	Win
Sept30	Owen	Away	1-3	Loss

Heather Lorenz goes to get the ball and makes a successful pass with Kelda Sluder there to back her up.
Photos by B. Griffith

Leah Cagle, sophomore, sets the ball high up into the air hoping that the ladies at the net will kill it over. Photo by B. Griffith

Kristen Evans, Senior, spikes the ball high and short, which is what they like, hoping that the other team can not retrieve the ball. Photo by B. Griffith

Chava London, Senior, takes the serve for the Lady Knights in a Volleyball game here at home. Photo by B. Griffith

Leah Cagle, sophomore, takes the pass and passes it off to Heather Lorenz. Leah and Heather were the only Sophomores on Varsity
Photo by B. Griffith

Bump Set Spike

By Kasi Dowdle

Tracey Justice takes a dive to save the ball, setting up for another spike.

"Brittany!" Leah Cagle set the ball, sending it high and close. Brittany Enloe stretched out in a high jump that basketball players would envy and slammed the ball to the ground on the other side of the net.

Moments like this defined the Varsity Volleyball team. The team was relatively young, with only six seniors, but did well. Coach Stacey Banfield said "I just wanted them to make sure to play like a team and work hard at practice. They're awesome."

"I think this season has gone great. We are surpassing the expectations that a lot of people had for us because we are such a young team, but we have worked hard and come out extremely strong." said Leah Cagle, sophomore.

Concentration is key. According to junior Christina Chavez "If your head's not in the game, then you don't know were the ball is, and then you won't be able to get it."

For a stratagy, Coach Banfield said "I try to tell them that they need to practice the hardest they can, and at game time show their best abilities. I try to coach them and not yell."

With practice every night and two or three games a week, the lady knights stayed busy. Volleyball wasn't just something to watch when the football team wasn't playing at home. Instead, said Christina "It's a girls sport. No one else could accomplish what the girls did. And in the final accounting, making it to the second level of play-offs, the girls showed what they could do.

Brittany Enloe

Age:18

Height: 5'10

Other sports played: Basketball

Favorite Sport: Volleyball

Favorite Subject: Science

Favorite Quote: Do It, Just do it.

Favorite Movie: Forest Gump

Coming out strong

By Kasi Dowdle

Practice and warming up is the key to every successful game. Learning from mistakes helps, too.

The JV lady Knights served up many wins and several injuries during the 2004 season. "We play because it's our favorite sport," said sophomore, Corey Williams.

The lady Knights had an excellent season, beating some of the hardest teams in our district. "Hendersonville High was one of the hardest teams to beat because they had really tall centers and they were all really coordinated as well," said Corey. The girls cheered each other on and off the court .

Sophomore Susan Pryor said, "Our team had a whole lot of enthusiasm and team spirit!"

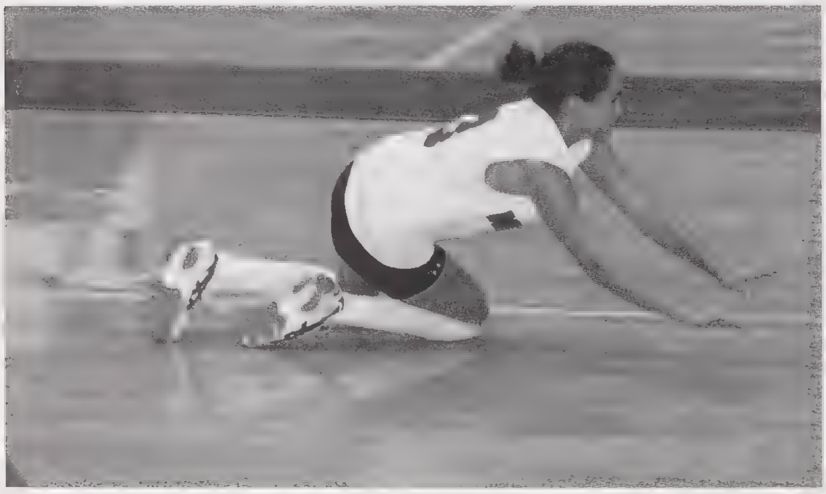
The ladies started out a little bumpy but they got better and came out as a winning team. The coaches helped out a lot to, "We have really great coaches who are willing to work one-on-one with you and really great girls to play with, too," said sophomore Brittany VunCannon.

The lady Knights practiced off the court, too. Freshman Bailey Brow said, "At first we did a lot of running but now we mainly work on passes." The practices consisted of running, passing, and setting. Of course, they worked on their serves, too.

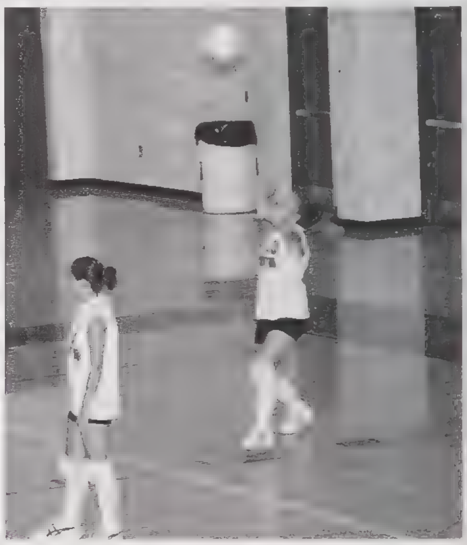
The ladies started thinking that a successful season was what they wanted before the games even began. Freshman Kasey Gibbs said "I thought it was going to go good because we have a really good team."

Most of the girls play for fun. Brittany said, "I like playing because of the rewards of being on a winning team, and because I love the game and the girls we get to play with."

Volleyball is a very strenuous game which requires lots of dedication. The volleyball team has once again proved to be an outgoing team with many talents. Way to go, girls!!!



"This one's mine!" Ashley Wood says as she dives for the ball. On the court, killer instincts were more important than lady-like behavior. Photo by Lifetouch

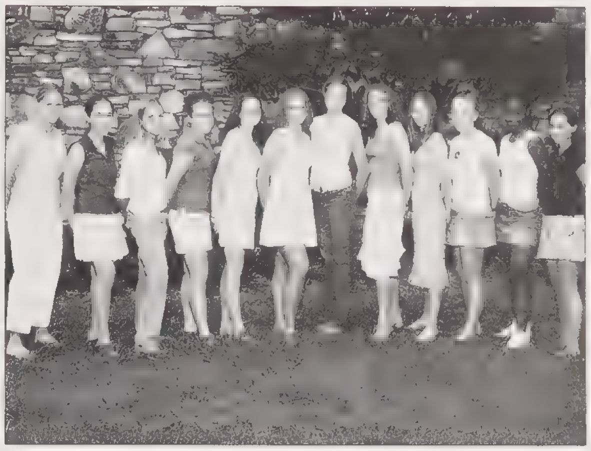


This show's over as Bailey Brow concentrates on the ball and serves it over. Powerful, controlled serves were one secret to success. Photo by Lifetouch

As players come off the court, the rest of the team shows their appreciation for that person by standing up and exchanging high fives. Photo by B. Griffith

Corey Williams sets the ball high and short to get the point. Halfway through the season, Corey retired due to back injury. Photo by B. Griffith

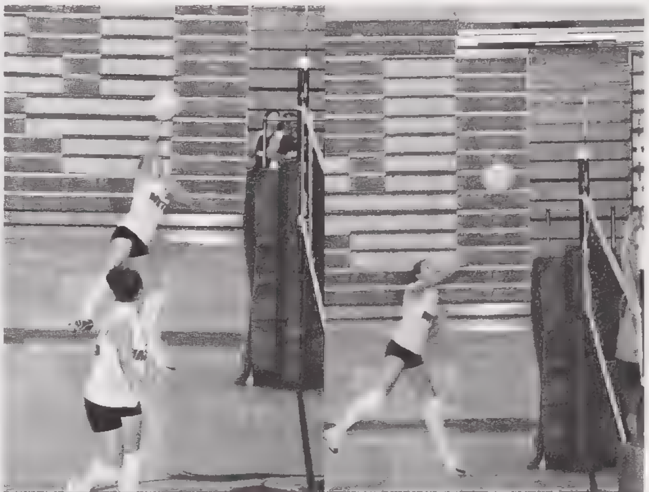
Amber Bradley has this one high enough to kill the front row of the other team. Serving power put the team in good position, as the scoreboard shows. Photo by Lifetouch



2004 Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball. Coach Stacey Banfield,Natalia Freeman,Kasey Gibbs, Bailey Brow,Alicen Hyder,Susan Pryor,Brittany VunCannon,Corey Williams,Breanna Brevard,Amber Bradley,Joselyn Bateman,Ashley Wood

2004 Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball

Date	Opponent/	Location	Score	Win/Loss
Aug 24	Brevard	Away	2-1	Win
Aug 26	Mountian Heritage	Home	2-0	Win
Aug 31	Owen	Home	2-1	Loss
Sept 1	Hendersonville	Home	1-2	Loss
Sept 2	Pisgah	Away	2-1	Win
Sept 9	Mitchell	Home	0-2	Loss
Sept14	Avery	Home	2-1	Win
Sept21	West Henderson	Away	0-2	Loss
Sept23	Brevard	Home	2-1	Win
Sept30	Mountian Heritage	Away	2-0	Win
Sept30	Owen	Away	2-0	Win



Starting out strong, then working back down to the ground, the girls hope that it barely misses the other teams' heads. Photo by B. Griffith.

BACK ROW: Brittany Tatters, Amber Smith, Alicia Kirkendal, Kristina Taylor, Jamie Lillard, Christina Storm
FRONT ROW: Sommer Balkin, Lauren Wilkie, Ana Acosta, Noemi Martinez, Ashley Cox

2005 Cross Country

Date	Location	Girls	Boys
AUG. 28	Jackson Park	16th	20th
SEPT. 2	Rugby Middle	15th	6th
SEPT. 9	North Buncombe	3rd	3rd
SEPT. 16	North Henderson	5th	5th
SEPT. 23	Owen	12th	20th
SEPT. 25	Charlotte	9th	7th
SEPT. 30	Brevard	4th	3rd
OCT. 7	Conference Meet	3rd	4th
OCT. 14	2A Western Reg.	3rd	6th
OCT. 23	2A State Champ.	6th	N/A

ONLY ROW: Javan Lapp, Jake Willingham, Michael Doll, Hunter Enloe, Tucker Rhinehart

Run, Jamie, Run! Junior Jamie Lillard shows the stress of trying to pick up the pace. Running kept her in shape for other sports. Photo by Lifetouch.

Way to go Christina!! Sophomore Christina Storm was the MVP on the girls' Cross Country team. She recieved many awards. Photo by Lifetouch.

I know I can! I know I can! Sophomore Joriah Mielke knows he can catch up with a Brevard runner that has been ahead of him the whole time. Photo by Lifetouch.

ARE YOU READY GUYS? GET PUMPED!! The guys are ready to kick some Cross Country butt. Running is what they do best. Photo by Lifetouch.

Flying Feet

By George McKee

You can do it!! Freshman Jessica Stewart made a huge contribution this year with the absences of last year's Seniors. Photo by Lifetouch.

The Cross Country team needed sweat, discipline, confidence, and courage this year. With sweat and confidence the Cross Country team was able to endure running three miles a day. With discipline and courage the runners could keep up with the best, and sometimes surpass them. Self-respect made them the best.

All Conference runner Christina Storm, Sophomore, had a great season on the Cross Country team. When she felt like quitting because things were getting rouch, she always thought about recently graduated Shiryah Meilke. "She really helped me out last year both physically and mentally; she basically taught me everything I know." Christina said. Christina really felt that the Cross Country team did very well last year. The girls' Cross Country team made it to state and placed in fifth.

All Conference runner Javan Lapp, Junior, thought that the season the guys had could have been better. "I really think we could have been the best if we would have tried hard enough." Javan said. "Cross Country is not as hard as it sounds; all you need to do is keep focus on what you're doing and try to keep a steady pace." Javan ran 10 hours a week during the Cross Country season in order to improve his running ability. Javan is hoping to improve the team and make it to state next year.

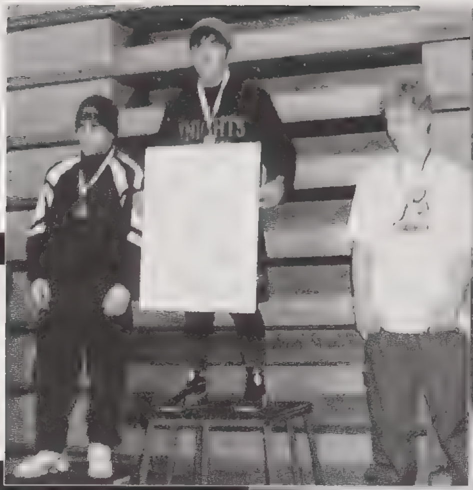
Although the boys' Cross Country team didn't have the best season this year, they have shown the potential to excel in running. The girls' Cross Country team amazed us all through the year with their incredible endurance and persistance. One thing that both teams seemed to grasp and use to their ability was self-respect.

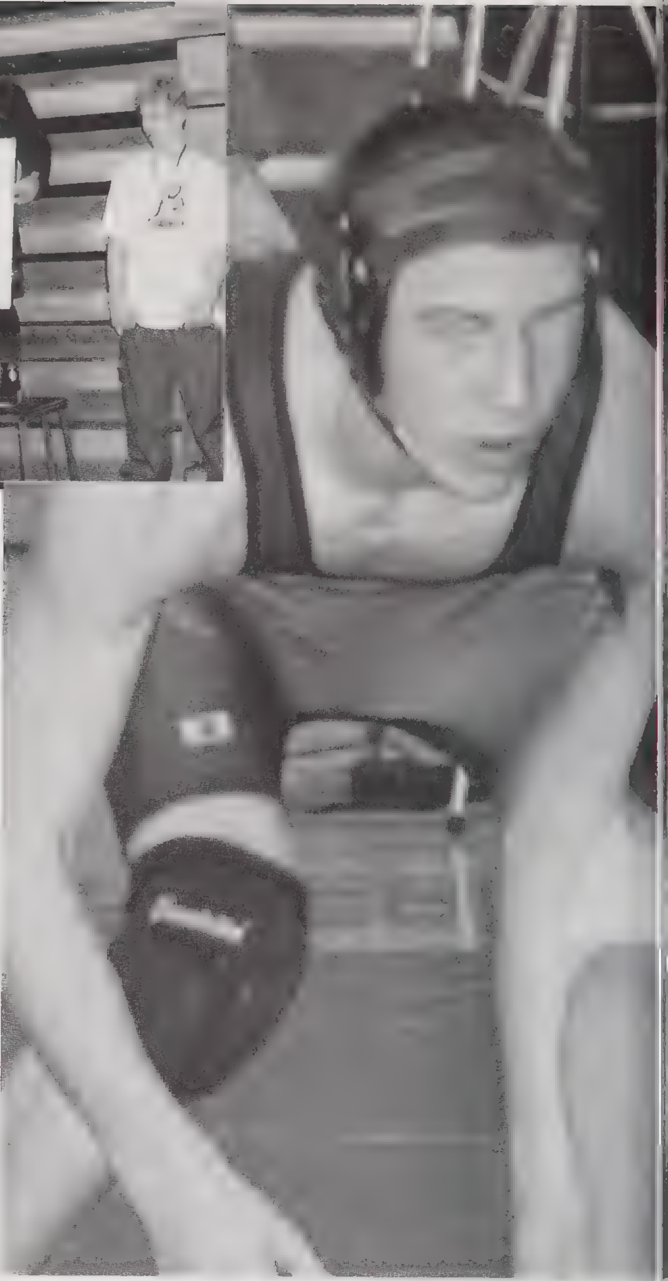
RUN TUCKER RUN!! Sophomore Tucker Rhinehart has done really well this year for his first time running on the team. Photo by Lifetouch.

Pinned For The Win

By Austin Tiller and Josh Goldstein

The wrestling team proved themselves champions





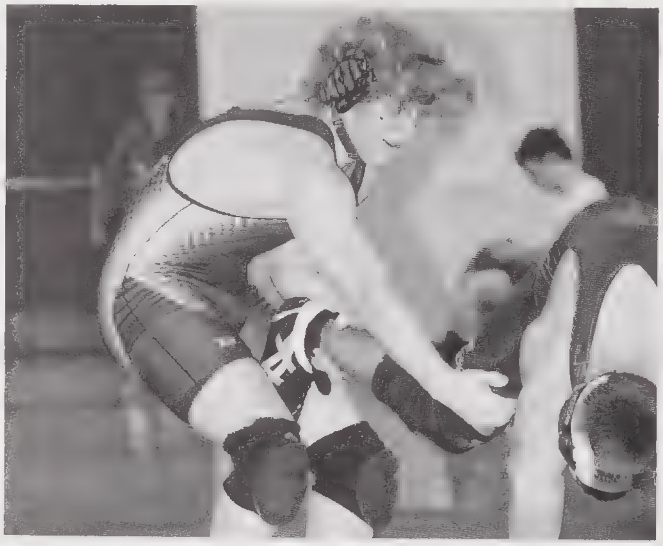
Sweat stumbled down the faces of the determined, disciplined, and devoted wrestlers. Many sports include three hour practices, hundreds of push-ups, countless sit-ups, and mile long runs. No sport EVER does all of those in one day except one: wrestling. Wrestling's vigorous practice did, in fact, consist of all of those previous stated workouts. But the most strenuous work was off the mat. To choose carefully what you eat, so that you maintain your particular weight class was a real challenge. It took strong will and determination. When asked if he liked wrestling, Junior Brett Williams replied, "Yeah, other than loosing weight."

"Practice makes perfect."

Like the coaches say, "Practice makes perfect," and that was surely noticed. The hard work paid off for the team. These young athletes defeated many great teams. "We've showed more heart, and come up with more victories then I had expected," was Junior Blake Morgan's opinion on the teams overall performance.

With every great team, there is a great coach. Head coach Heang Uy and assistant coach Carlton Wright did a magnificent job with the team. They taught the two most important aspects of wrestling: motivation and self-discipline. Both were needed to win matches and defeat teams.

Instead of singling out a particular wrestler, let's just say job well done to the entire team, for they have proved themselves champions, and champions they shall remain.



Trying to escape, Josh Goldstein grabs ahold of his opponets leg to pull him in bounds therfore getting himself another win, and another six points for the team. Photo by B. Griffith.

Staring down his opponent, Sterling Ducker prepares to attack against his West Henderson opponent, leading the Knights to another victory. Photo by B. Griffith.

With much concentration, Jacob Hill prepares to turn his opponent to his back for a pin, to add another win to his record. Photo by B. Griffith.

Fighting to stay up, Brett Williams works hard during his match to keep control of his opponent. He pinned him and won another match for himself as well as helping the team with another victory. Photo by B. Griffith.

NicK Walker

Age: 17

Height:5'11"

Other Sports Played: Soccer

Favorite sport: Soccer

Favorite Subject: P.E

Favorite Quote: "Give it your best"

Favorite movie: Monty Python and the Holy Grail

How many years wrestling: 7

Back Row: Coach Pittilo, Patrick McDonald, Zach Brown, Sam Darity, Chad Anderson, Levi Wright, Kyle Wolfe, Jason Collazo.
Front Row: Brandon Coleman, Jamie Justus, Eric Russell, Justin Lamb, Jake Pittilo, Peter Simko.

Back Row: Justin Moore, Cannon Cox, Carson Rhodes, Michael Lolly, Dakota Benson, Paige Crawford, Ethan Pressley, Chris Vanlandingham, Tyler Walker, Josh Drake, Coach Coren.
Front Row: Aaron Stewart, Brad Buckner, Max Ruehlen, Michael Lyda, Hunter Enloe, Patrick Singletary.

2005 Boys Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location	JV Score	JV Win/Loss	V Score	V Win/Loss
11-16	East	Home	37-20	Win	84-49	Win
11-18	Carolina Day	Away	n/a	n/a	76-83	Loss
11-23	East	Away	51-48	Win	76-60	Win
11-30	Brevard	Away	40-21	Loss	45-62	Loss
12-1	Hendersonville	Home	57-52	Win	57-51	Win
12-3	Mt. Heritage	Home	43-42	Win	80-81	Loss
12-7	Owen	Home	49-31	Win	68-70	Loss
12-10	Pisgah	Away	35-48	Loss	35-86	Loss
12-17	Mitchell	Home	58-37	Win	67-66	Win
12-20	Hendersonville	Home	57-52	Win	58-68	Loss
12-21	East	Home	n/a	n/a	56-52	Win
1-4	Avery	Home	54-27	Win	67-65	Win
1-7	Madison	Away	56-55	Win	64-49	Win
1-11	West	Away	36-46	Loss	61-62	Loss
1-14	Brevard	Home	38-53	Loss	45-73	Loss
1-18	Mt. Heritage	Away	49-46	Win	61-75	Loss
1-21	Owen	Away	40-50	Loss	43-65	Loss
1-25	Pisgah	Home	32-51	Loss	61-77	Loss
2-1	Mitchell	Away	43-32	Win	67-58	Loss
2-4	Avery	Away	32-27	Win	68-83	Loss
2-8	Madison	Away	66-44	Win	67-58	Loss
2-10	West	Home	29-33	Loss	62-61	Win

The team runs onto the court to warm up before a big game. Warm Ups were key in the outcome of the game. Photo by B. Griffith

Chris Vanlandingham goes for the layup against Owen. Chris was one of the leading scorers on the JV team. Photo by B. Griffith

The Trifector!

By William Hardin and Brooke Powers

Michael Lyda and the other starters lead the team to victory.

Basketball is a sport we have always excelled in. The 2004-2005 season was no exception. For the Varsity team there were definite highlights, including a lot of 3 point shots and Sam Darity's dunking.

Sam Darity, who averaged 1 or 2 dunks a game, and had been playing basketball since he was 10, said, "Basketball's just my sport. I love the excitement and fast pace."

When Sam dunked everyone got excited. "When I dunk in a game it gets me and the team, and the crowd into the game and gets us pumped up." Sam said.

Sam Darity dunks the ball during a game. Sam's dunking could always get the crowd and the team going. Photo by B. Griffith

Jake Pittilo, senior, said the most 3 point shots he'd made in a game was seven.

Overall, the Varsity season was very successful. Junior Eric Russell said "We did pretty good, but we lost a lot of close games."

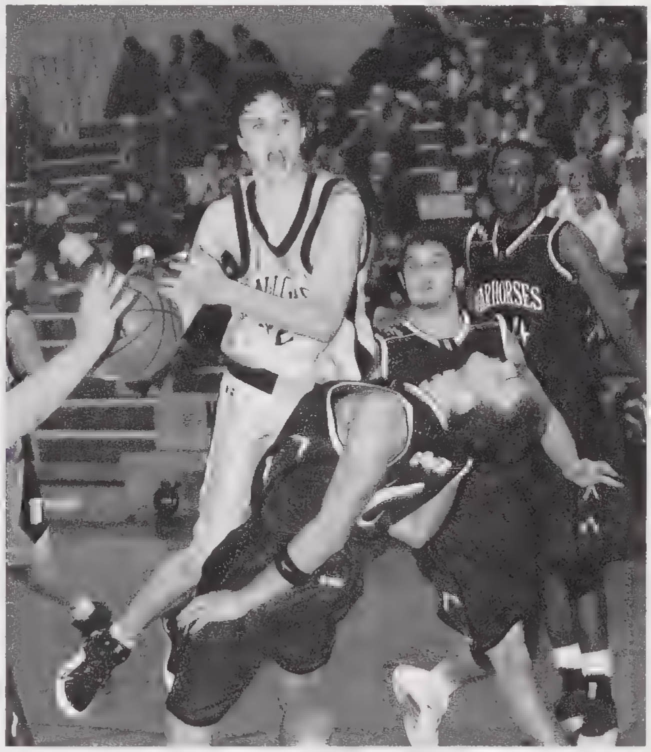
Junior Varsity Basketball has also been successful this season. Freshman Chris Vanlandingham said, "We're doing good." Sophomore Tyler Walker agreed and said, "We've only blown a couple of games."

Chris, a point guard, said, "It made me feel good to be the floor leader in my freshman year."

Tyler also had good feelings about this season, "Going from being a freshman on the team to being a sophomore is different because you have people looking up to you and expecting your best."

The season was tough, with ten wins and twelve losses, but the team held together and kept their courage up.

The final game of the regular season, a heart-stopping one-point finish against West Henderson, demonstrated the dedication and detirmination of the players--commitment to work hard, to keep going, and to win all they could.



Eric Russell works hard to keep the ball from his opponets. Eric plays hard each game to help the team do their best. Photo by B. Griffith

She Shoots She Scores!

by Corey Williams and Chelsea Erskine

Morgan McMinn, freshman, grabs the rebound and dribbles towards North's end of the floor. Varsity benefitted from the talent of girls like her.

Teamwork and confidence were two factors needed to create a great basketball team and the girl's varsity and junior varsity have proven and accomplished just that.

The teams had to overcome many obstacles with new coaches and new teammates. The freshmen added a lot of outstanding players, which led to a phenomenal season, but the freshmen were not just limited to the junior varsity team. Varsity starter Morgan McMinn, freshman said "The season started off rocky, but now I can say that we are a team and play the game together. We've came together as a team and we are on a road to success."

Picking a starting lineup for each game can be very difficult. The players had to strive to do their utmost and personal best. Senior, Brittany Enloe stated, "Coach Williams picked the lineup he thought would be best for that game. We pretty much had six starters." The players joined together, with confidence. Many plan on playing in the upcoming years.

The Varsity team was superior throughout the season. They had numerous wins and a ton of excitement. "We had a few wrinkles that needed to be ironed out, but after Christmas, it's like we had a spark of fire and got a brand new life. As a senior and a captain of our young team,I would like to thank God for bringing us together and helping us through our wrinkles," said senior, Marche' Duckett.

The J.V. team unleashed great skills to acquire many victories, also demonstrating what it was like to be a real TEAM. The girls said they enjoyed playing for coach Lyda because they always had fun. Sophomore, Amber Bradley said, "I wasn't sure on how good we would be but I knew we had talent."

Although each team played their own games, they were also super supporters for each other, including added support for the boy's team. On various occasions, the girls would join the cheerleaders and help boost their teammates' confidence. Throughout both wins and loses, the teams were definitely brilliant at having "a ball" while providing all of us onlookers a great time. They left the season with new friends, new goals, but most of all wonderful memories that will last them a lifetime.

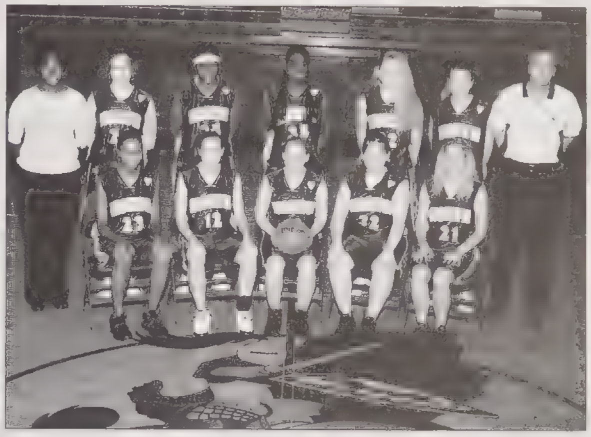
Brittany Enloe shoots for two inside the paint. Brittany was one of leading scorers and rebounders for the team. Photo by B. Griffith

Going to the hole. Aubrey Day aggresively dribbles the ball against an apponent from Owen. Aubrey averaged about 6 points a game. Photo by B. Griffith

For three! Lashonda Clayton goes up for a three pointer. Lashonda is a junior this year. She averaged three three-pointers per game. Photo by Lifetouch

Fighting for the ball. Brittany Tatters, freshmen, fights for the ball against opponent from Owen. Photo by B. Griffith

Varsity Girls:
Back: Coach Gibbs Susan Pryor, Morgan McMinn, Marche Duckett, Brittany Enloe, Amanda Cox, Coach Williams.
Front: Lashonda Clayton, Tori Brugess, Megan Corn, Tana Hill, Morgan Drake.



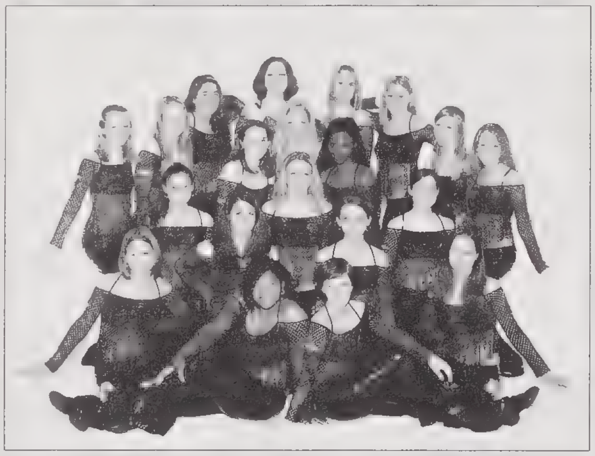
Junior Varsity Girls
Back: Coach Lyda, Katie Byrd, Lauren Odom, Baily Brow, Kasey Gibbs, Brittany Tatters, Mattie Drake.
Front: Amy Lancaster, Christina Storm, Aubrey Day, Amber Bradley, Ashley Wood, Corey Williams.

2005 Girls Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location	JV Score	JV Win/Loss	V Score	V Win/Loss
Nov 9	Enka	H	n/a	n/a	41-50	loss
Nov 12	Rosman	A	n/a	n/a	73-54	win
Nov 16	East	H	40-28	win	55-32	win
Nov 18	Carolina Day	A	n/a	n/a	36-45	loss
Nov 19	Hendersonville	A	47-12	win	51-35	win
Nov 30	Brevard	A	51-20	win	48-34	win
Dec 1	Hendersonville	H	Forfeit	win	35-46	loss
Dec 7	Owen	H	25-23	win	27-58	loss
Dec 9	Pisgah	A	19-42	loss	35-52	loss
Dec 17	Mitchell	H	26-35	loss	50-55	loss
Dec 20	Hendersonville	H	n/a	n/a	59-53	win
Dec 21	West	A	23-25	loss	53-61	loss
Dec 29	East	A	29-34	loss	39-51	loss
Jan 4	Avery	H	31-45	loss	56-38	win
Jan 7	Madison	A	21-48	loss	44-37	win
Jan 11	West	H	23-25	loss	43-42	win
Jan 14	Rogers	A	n/a	n/a	65-44	win
Jan 18	Mt. Heritage	A	18-56	loss	44-56	loss
Jan 21	Owen	A	50-22	win	48-58	loss
Jan 25	Pisgah	H	32-38	loss	22-38	loss
Feb 1	Mitchell	A	26-55	loss	37-54	loss
Feb 4	Avery	A	32-54	loss	67-58	win
Feb 8	Madison	H	20-32	loss	28-26	win
Feb 10	West	H	25-39	loss	54-38	win

Half-time highlights, the dance team shows off for the crowds at home football games in the fall. Several members of the team were also cheerleaders. Photo courtesy of Lucretia Holbert

Nickie Wallace and Megan Wilson, team captains, get into their grove as part of the Homecoming Pep rally. Both are seniors. Photo by B. Griffith



Amy Sweezy, Alex Ploenes, Lindsey Greyson, Tegan Souther, Amy Lancaster, Lecretia Holbert, Lacy Mills, Hillary Corn, Alicen Hyder, Ashley Calloway, Josalyn Batemon, Ciara Newman, Megan Lynch, Amber Wilson, Brittany Sellars, Ashley Collins, Jill Ayscue, Ashley Woody, Captains Nickie Wallace and Megan Wilson

2004 Dance Team

The team performs for another pep rally. Performances for the student body gave the team practice in front of a crowd before competitions. Photo by B. Griffith

Life Of A Dancer

By Jessica Crocker

Amy Lancaster and the dance team members keep up the beat.

It all began with a routine stretch, followed by a detailed review of each 8 count. It didn't end there; after going over each 8 count, the routine was given a difficult critique, followed by what would seem to be an exhausting practice to any by-stander, until the performance was down pat.

This wasn't a schedule for just any dancer, but one followed by a dancer with skill and detirmination. According to Senior Nickie Wallace, "dance isn't something you can just pick up; it's a natural talent." The team proved to have talent with their eye-opening dance routines. Having seven new routines throughout the year showed their incredible dedication to dance.

New uniforms were one of the biggest changes that attracted attention. Junior Amy Sweezy said, "Most of us liked the uniforms, but I think that the others didn't because it was a major change, one that they didn't expect."

The dance team practised hard, and turned many heads along the way. Amy said, "I give it all I have in dance because I've been dancing for 13 years." The team's practice paid off in the competitions they participated in. They competed at the state tournament in Raleigh, which earned them a spot at the National competition in Virginia. The dance team also performed at Jam Fest in Tennessee.

The best quality the dance team had was their love of dance.

Perfoming with metallic pom-poms at the Homecoming pep rally, the dancers really wake the crowd up. Their routines are often challenging. Photo by B. Griffith

The team waits for their results after the state competition. A combination of nerves and tiredness kept the girls on the edge of their seats. Photo courtesy of Lecretia Holbert

Nickie Wallace

Age:18

Height: 5'6"

Other sports played: Volleyball, Soccer, Cheerleading

Favorite Sport: Basketball

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Quote: Philipians 3:16

Favorite Movie: Love and Basketball

Splish Splash

by Lauren Cannon and Hannah Williams

"Splish Splash I was taking a bath," isn't always the case. Javan Lapp sits and waits for his next turn in the water.

They churned the water with great strokes in a race that would eventually lead back to the starting line, the swimmers propelled themselves through the pool, and this was only a practice run.

Even though the swim team was almost entirely made up of first year swimmers, they were still immensely skilled and determined. Junior, Amy Sweezy said "We got to compete in Brevard, Waynesville, and Asheville as well as here [in the Hendersonville YMCA]."

> "I'm nervous about state. I don't want to do badly."

It took countless amounts of hard work and effort to be the best in their second year of competition. Such victory could not have been achieved without the dedication and effort put forth by their coach. "Coach Peterson really brought us a long way this year." Amy commented.

The swim team proved itself again and again. Several swimmers qualified for state and the swim team did better than ever before. Holly said, "I'm nervous about state. I don't want to do badly."

Swim team was not just made up of practices and competition though, the teammates really enjoyed being able to meet new friends. "We had so much fun and our team was very spirited." Alex von Lautz, Junior said.

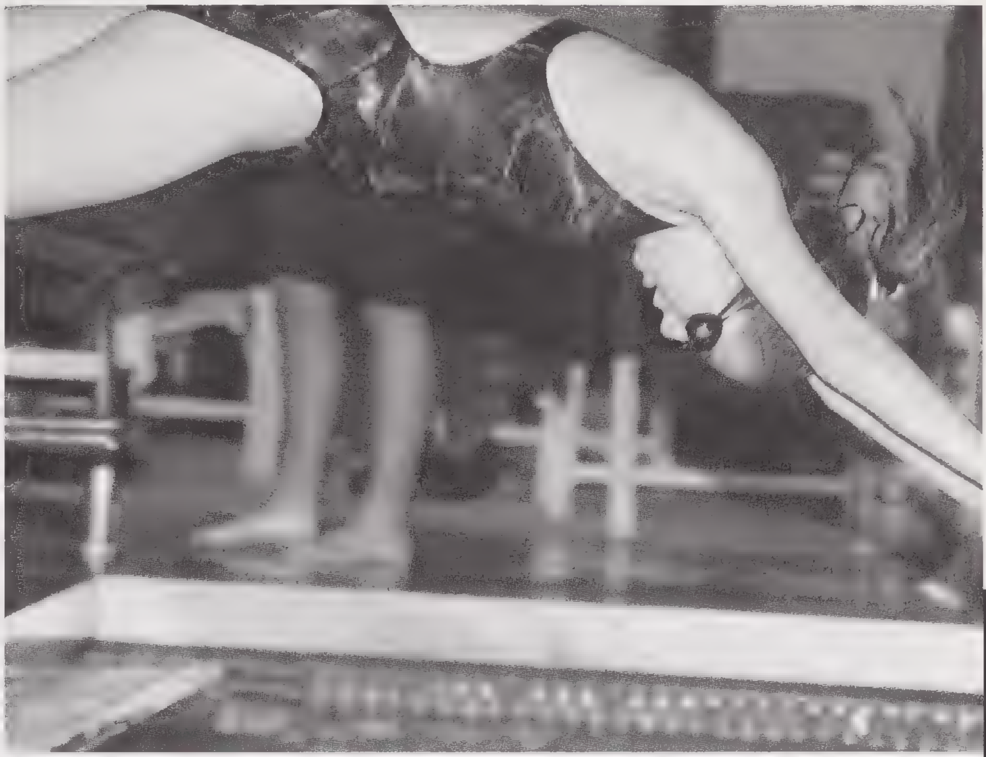
Joining the swim team also helped members decide what they want to do during or after college. "I don't want to be a professional swimmer but I enjoyed the teamwork involved in swim team." Alex said. "People who are thinking about it should join."

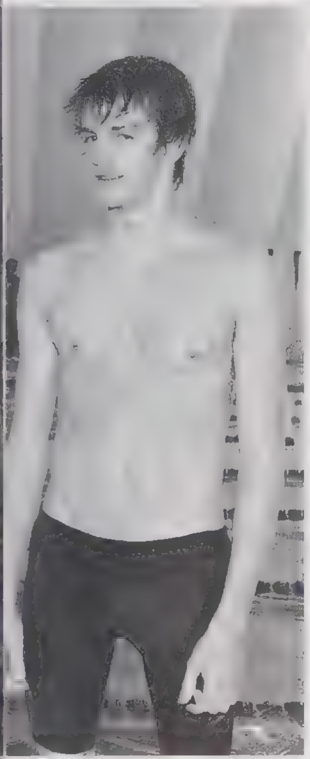
The team endured many obstacles with having new swimmers on their team but it was obvious that each one did not only overcome the difficulties of being a team, but embraced them on a never-ending race to succeed.

Morgan Minnick, Amanda Vaughan, Holly Vitters, and Amy Sweezy take time to strike a pose before diving in the pool. Photo by F. Gore.

Holly Vitters, Robin D'Augusta, Ali Kirkendall, take a break after a swim. It takes a lot of practice to be a successful swimmer. Photo by Lifetouch

Morgan Minnick dives into the pool at the beginnig of a race. It takes a lot of strategy to be able to make a good dive. Photo by Lifetouch.





Holly Vitters dives in the pool at the start of a race.Holly enjoys being on the swim team and considers doing it next year. Photo by F. Gore.

Dexter Blackwell, Jake Willingham, Alex von Lautz, Javan Lapp are all smiles after a race, knowing they tryed their hardest. Photo by F. Gore.

Amanda Vaughan

Age: 17

Height: 5'4

Other sports played: Youth Football 01-02

Favorite Sport: Football

Favorite Subject: US History

Favorite Quote: "I want, I want"

Favorite Movie: Ghost Ship

What Do You Enjoy Most About The Swim Team? Competition

2005 Varsity Team Back: Lashonda Clayton, Meleah Brevard, Sara Flood, Haley Donaldson, Shannon Haggerty, Middle: Ashley Wood, Kayla Tatham, Megan Corn, Tana Hill, Kristen Pace, Brittany Carter, Front: Coach Banfield, Annie Waddell, Jessica Crocker, and Marché Duckett.

JV Team: Back: Coach Flood, Bailey Brow,Britney Tatters, Lacie Baker, Caitlin Lyda Middle: Talia Friedman, Brianna Brevard, Jordan, Griffin, Chaz Morrison, Kasey Gibbs. Front: Megan Wood, Sara Case, and Kayla Tatham.

2005 Varsity and JV Softball

Date	Oppponent	Location
Feb. 23	East	Away
Mar. 2.	TC Roberson	Home
Mar. 8	Brevard	Away
Mar. 11	Mt. Heritage	Home
Mar. 15	Owen	Home
Mar 16	AC Reynolds	Away
Mar. 18	Pisgah	Away
Mar.23	Brevard	Home
Mar. 24	Mitchell	Home
Apr.5	Avery	Home
Apr.6	AC Reynolds	Home
Apr.8	Madison	Away
Apr. 12	West	Away
Apr.18	H'ville	Home
Apr.19	Mtn. Heritage	Away
Apr.22	Owen	Away
Apr. 26	Pisgah	Home
May 3	Mitchell	Away
May 6	Avery	Away
May 10	Madison	Home
May 12	West	Home

Date	Opponent	Location
Mar. 2	TC Roberson	Away
Mar 8	Brevard	Home
Mar. 9	Polk Central	Home
Mar 11	Mtn. Heritage	Away
Mar 15	Owen	Away
Mar. 16	Ac Reynolds	Away
Mar. 18	Pisgah	Away
Mar.23	Brevard	Away
Mar 24	Mitchell	Away
Apr.6	AC Reynolds	Home
Apr.8	Madison	Home
Apr. 12	West	Away
Apr. 19	Mtn. Heritage	Home
Apr.22	Owen	Home
Apr. 26	Pisgah	Home
May 3	Mitchell	Home
May 10	Madison	Away
May 12	West	Home

Annie Waddell, Junior, anticpates the high pitch and plans to throw down to third base to catch a runner trying to steal third. Annie is another captain. Photo by K. Hester

Junior, Megan Corn, rounds second after a strong hit to right center. Megan is a strong outfielder as well as a quick runner. Photo by K. Hester

Will to Win

by Anahi Perez and Jessica Crocker

Jessica Crocker winds up as the softball teams work on speed and skill.

Nine players on the field, five innings and a chance of overtime, two coaches in your face, and fans yelling and rallying the team on, but only one chance to rise above it all and pull out a win. The Varsity and JV softball teams were able to rise above and exceed expectations that were set before them. Their incredible will to win and desire to play the game was the one ingredient that set this team aside from any other.

This was a team filled with talent and players who to them, nothing could satisfy their softball-hungry souls more than being on a field and playing the game. According to senior Jessica Crocker, "I couldn't imagine not playing softball, there's just something about being on the field and playing the one game you love more than anything." You can be sure all these girls were playing for all the right reasons. They weren't out there for attention, or the trips with the baseball team, but they played because they loved it. Most of these girls had been playing since they were little and only dreamed of having a dominating season.

Junior, Shannon Haggerty goes after a line drive down the baseline. Shannon plays third base for the varsity team. Photo by K. Hester

"Last was full of challenges and excitement. The girls on the softball team gave their all in practices and in games. I was very proud of them," said Ms. Banfield.

"This is my last year playing, and nothing would be better then having a winning season, and knowing that I played every game as hard I could," said senior Marche' Duckett.

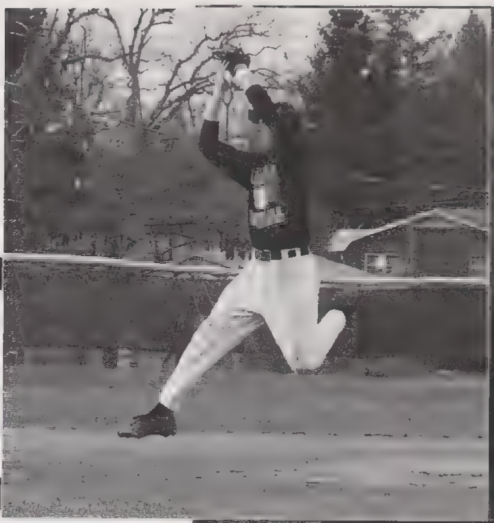
With hard practices and drills that allowed them to perfect routine skills, the team was a sure win. "Practices were tough, but they did us good, your only as good as you practice and Coach Banfield knew what would prepare us for each game," said junior Megan Corn. "Coach Banfield is the best coach I've ever had, not because she's nice but because she knows the game," said Jessica.

Overall, this team didn't walk away worrying about their losses, but motivated themselves with their will to win. The ties and bonds they made on and off the field will last a lifetime. However, the thing they will remember most, won't be the long practices, or the arguments, but their will to win the game.

Senior Marché Duckett makes an effort to swing at the ball and get it out of the infield. Marché is a captain of the Varsity team. Photo by K. Hester

Swing Batter!

by: Lori Tabot and Jason Gillein



Levi Wright winds up for the pitch while Brent Stepp gets ready to field the ball

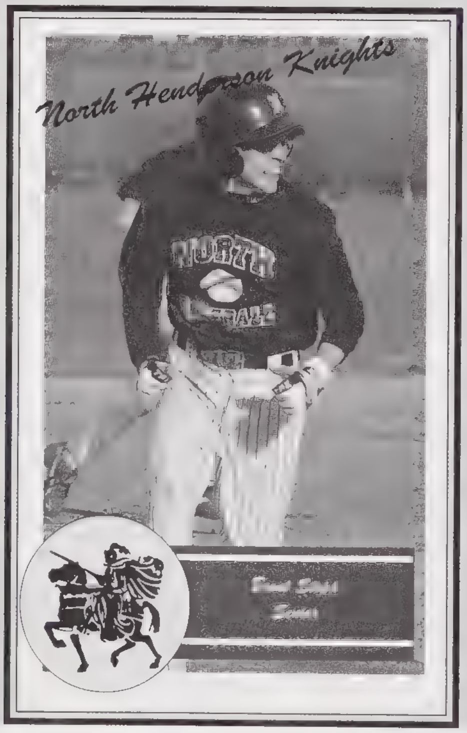
The resounding "CRACK!" of a baseball meeting a bat was heard often thanks to our JV and Varsity baseball teams. As soon as tryouts were over, practice began and the players started warming up their skills for the first game of the season. Coach Rice and Coach Frady worked hard to prepare their team members for play, and Coach Rhodes, as head coach, helped everyone along the way. Even at the very beginning of the season, the coaches were extremely optimistic about the team. Coach Rhodes was enthusiastic about his teams, saying that "the team is really good this year, and I definitely think we can make conference."

The coach for JV was Coach Rice, new to the school. The varsity coaching duties were split between Coach Rhodes and Coach Frady. Overall, the team thought that for a new coach, Coach Rice did a very good job. JV player Tyler Garren, freshman, said, "I think Coach Rice did a very good job for his first year at this school. He gets along with everybody very well." Tyler, having played for seven years previously, wishes to continue playing baseball throughout the rest of his high school and college career.

It seems as if this team is very dedicated to the game. After last year's good season, senior Levi Wright said, "There was a chance we could do as good as last year, but we had to work hard. We lost lots of good players last year, but we got some new ones who can replace them."

All of the players agree that they "reached new levels". Many of the seniors on the team plan to continue playing in college, and we wish them the best of luck!

Jackie Corn waits for a pitch to pass the plate. That's got to be hard on his knees. Photo by B. Griffith.



Brent Stepp

Height: 5'8"

Other Sports Played: None

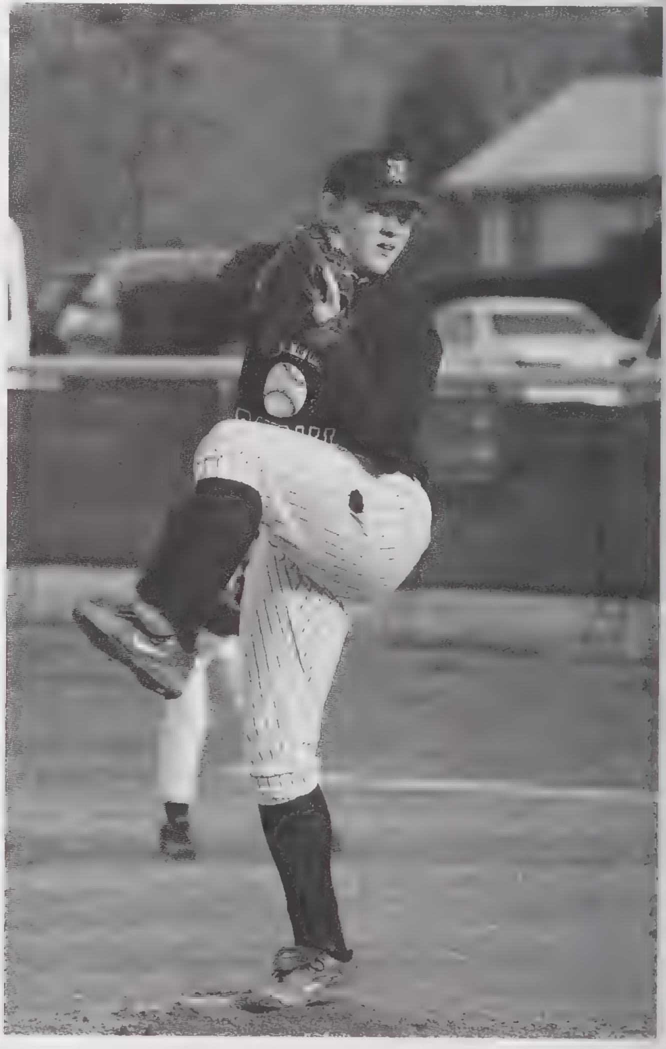
Favorite Sport: Baseball

Favorite Subject: Math

Favorite Quote: "Know when to hold em and know when to fold em"

Favorite Movie: Dodge Ball

Role Model: "My brother Craig Stepp"



Back: Coach Frady, Zack Jones, Colby Lanning, Zack Brown, Matt McMurray, Levi Wright, Jackie Corn, Andrew Andreotta, Coach Rhodes. Front: Mike Harwood, Brandon Coleman, Ben Marlowe, Brent Stepp, Seth Baldwin, Trey Nicholson, Nick Eddy, Loren Barnwell, Justin Lamb, Corey Thomas, Gene Gifford

Back: Coach Rice, Brian Roy, Ethan Pressley, Michael Lolly, Kendall Edwards, Coach Street. Middle: Hunter Enloe, Andrew Harris, Stephen McKinney, Thomas Prye, Tyler Garren, Front: Jared Anderson, Blake Cox, Josh Drake, Zack Conard

Levi Wright takes the signal from catcher Jackie Corn and gets ready to send the pitch to the plate. Levi loves playing baseball. Photo by B.Griffith

Ben Marlowe runs between bases, a home run right around the corner. In his Senior year, Ben played very hard. Photo by B. Griffith.

2005 Varsity and JV Baseball

Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location
Feb. 19	Tuscola	Home	Feb 23	East	Home
Feb. 23	East	Away	Mar. 1	East	Away
Mar. 1	East	Home	Mar. 4	Rosman	Away
Mar. 4	Rosman	Home	Mar. 8	Brevard	Home
Mar. 8	Brevard	Away	Mar. 11	Mtn. Heritage	Away
Mar. 11	Mtn. Heritage	Home	Mar. 15	Owen	Away
Mar. 15	Owen	Home	Mar. 16	Erwin	Away
Mar. 17	Pisgah	BRCC	Mar. 19	Pisgah	Home
Mar. 24	Mitchell	Home	Mar. 24	Mitchell	Away
Mar. 28	RS Central	Away	Apr. 5	Avery	Away
Mar. 29	RS Central	Away	Apr. 8	Madison	Home
Mar. 30	RS Central	Away	Apr. 9	Hendersonville	Home
Apr. 5	Avery	Home	Apr. 15	Brevard	Away
Apr. 8	Madison	Away	Apr. 16	Erwin	Home
Apr. 9	Hendersonville	Away	Apr. 19	Mtn. Heritage	Home
Apr. 12	West	Away	Apr. 22	Owen	Home
Apr. 15	Brevard	Home	Apr. 30	West	Away
Apr. 16	North Gaston	Away	Ma. 2	Hendersonville	Away
Apr. 19	Mtn. Heritage	Away	Ma. 3	Mitchell	Home
Apr. 22	Owen	Away	Ma. 6	Avery	Home
Apr. 26	Pisgah	Home	Ma. 10	Madison	Away
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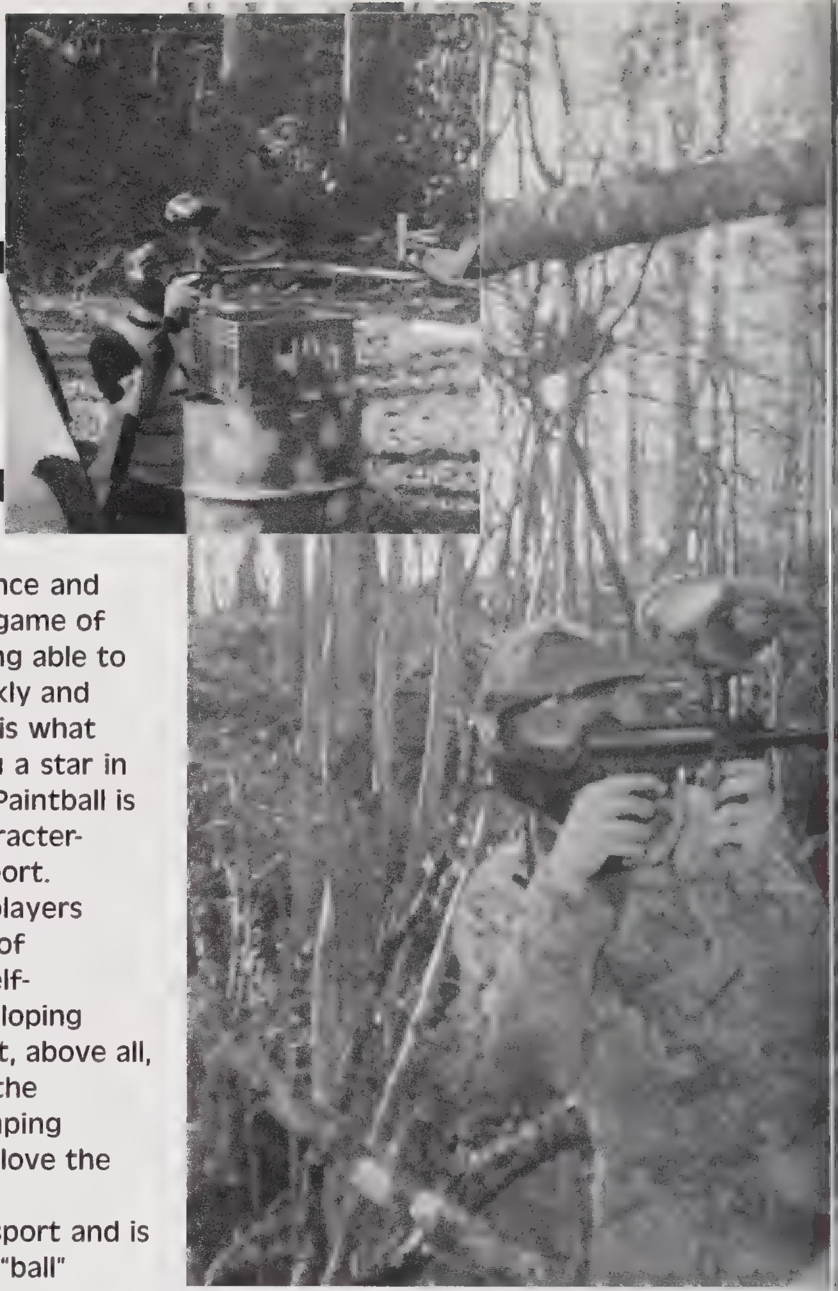
Ma. 6	Avery	Away			
Ma. 10	Madison	Home			
Ma. 12	West	Home			

Splat Tactics

By Justin Cauble



He isn't hit yet? Keeping yourself hidden, keeps you in the game.

"Blue team ready...Red team ready...Okay...1...2...3...GO!" Ten minutes later the game is over. What is the game? , Paintball. For the past 5 years, the sport has experienced an explosion of popularity. It has also gained speed, intensity, and incredible competitiveness. Huge tournaments are serious business to everyone involved! The players are usually steadfast in the pursuit for first place. The good-natured character of most players, shows, through how they handle themselves on the field, but there are those who lack good sportsmanship. Fortunately, you are in control of the atmosphere at you local field. Why would anyone play this sport? Well Stephen McMahan, Senior, said "I play paintball because I can shoot someone legally and get away with it", and on the other hand, Andrew Bunker, Sophomore, said "I play because it gets my adrenaline pumping and it's a form of stress relief."

Paintball is played in over 35 countries by millions of men and women of all ages and life styles. Whether homemakers or high-school students, professional or retired, all paintball players share a love for adventure and a strong competitive spirit. It is a sport in which men and women, young and old, compete equally. Size and strength are not as important as intelligence and determination. Like a game of chess, being able to think quickly and decisively is what makes you a star in paintball. Paintball is also a character-building sport. Paintball players learn the importance of teamwork and gain self-confidence while developing leadership abilities. But, above all, paintball is fun! Once the adrenaline starts pumping players can't help but love the thrill of the game!

> "I play paintball because I can shoot someone and get away with it"

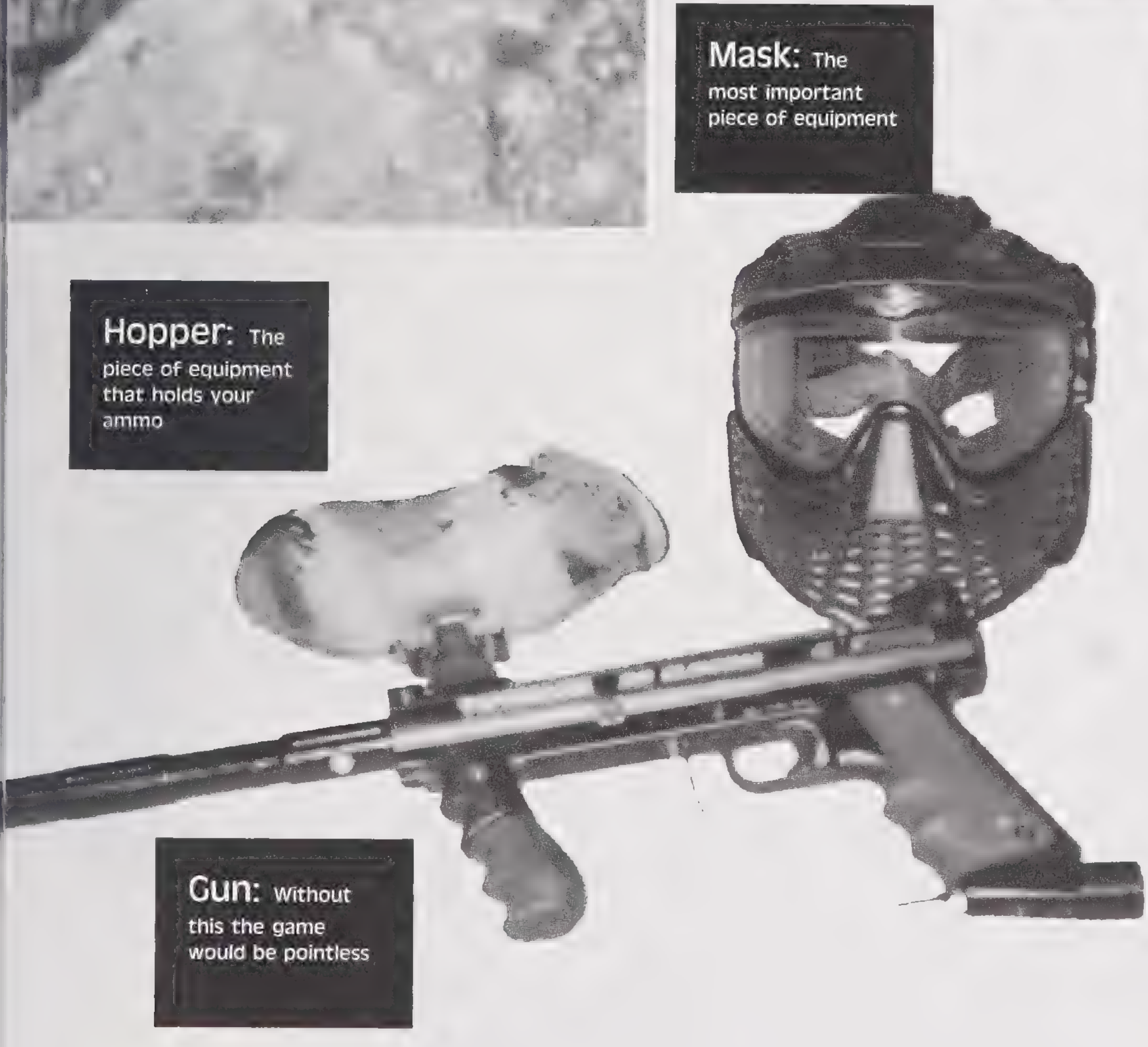
Paintball is a team sport and is similar to many other "ball" oriented sports, in that you have two or more teams striving to achieve a goal or objective. Paintball has rules, a scoring system, referees, leagues and international tournaments. Paintball is a combination tag, hide and seek, cops and robbers and human chess. The sport of Paintball is a non-contact, action-packed, physical and mental activity and is the most fun you will ever experience...

Paintball is considered a very young sport. The sport has evolved considerably over the past years. The most important changes have been in the adoption of rules and equipment designed to make the Paintball game safe for all to play.

Well that stinks! Her hopper fell off, dropping all her much-needed ammunition. Photo by J. Cauble

You'd better watch out! This paintgun has a 14" inch barrel for increased accuracy. Photo by J. Cauble

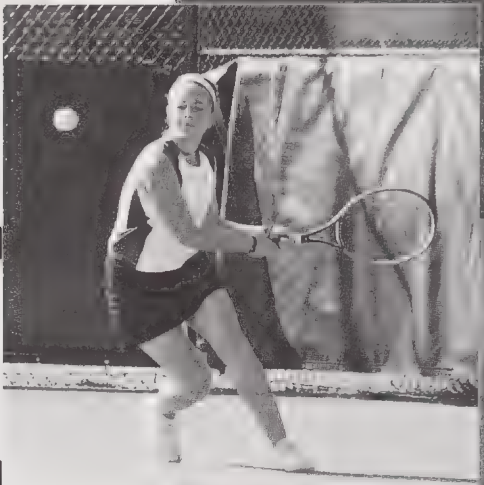
Who is he shooting at? If you look behind the tree you can just barely see his opponent. Photo by J. Cauble

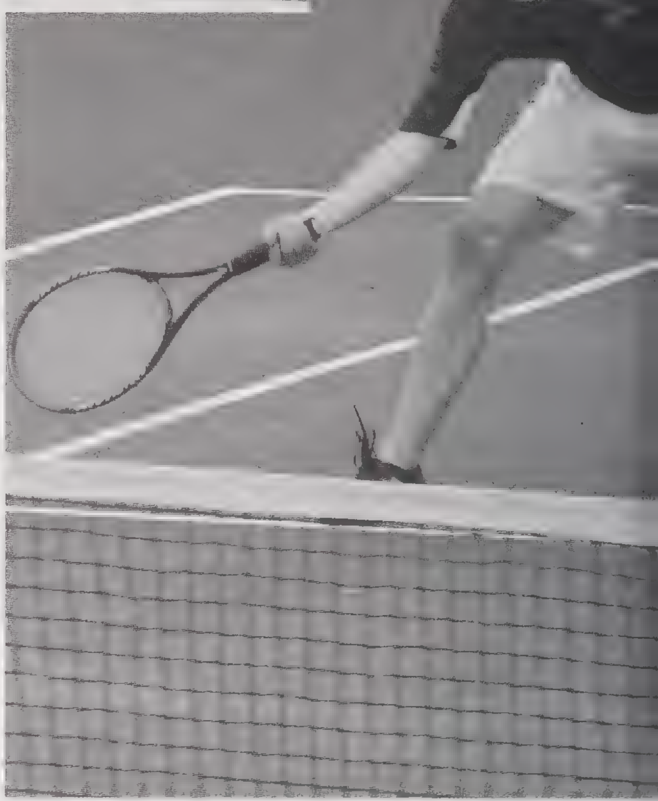

Mask: The most important piece of equipment
Hopper: The piece of equipment that holds your ammo
Gun: Without this the game would be pointless

Paintball came into being in 1981 when the U.S. Forestry Service invented a dye-marking pistol for the purpose of marking trees. The Cattlemans' Association adopted this idea of dye marking, and applied it to cattle as an alternative to branding. It is believed that the first game of paintball was between cowboys who, while sitting around the campfire one night, decided to shoot each other with the dye marking pistols.

Making A Raquet

By Hannah Williams and Lauren Cannon





Spring and Fall, the tennis teams serve up the scores.

It all starts with love. A word that is equal to zero in the game of tennis. The players take their positions on opposing sides of the court. One player pulls back on their racket to send a quick but fierce serve to the other side. The other immediately retaliates. The game had begun.

At first sight, not many people would consider tennis to be of a competitive nature, but if you had asked one of the tennis team members they would have had something quite different to say. Chad Anderson, junior said, "It challenges you in many different ways."

The team competed in several different areas. Most of the team members this year were new and they were all incredibly proud of the way they did. "We worked hard and represented North well." Chad said.

Such immense success would not have been achievable without the help from the coach, Mrs. Anderson and the encouragement of their fellow teammates. "I loved playing and hanging out with the team. Coach always encouraged us to do our best. We had so much fun." Jessica commented.

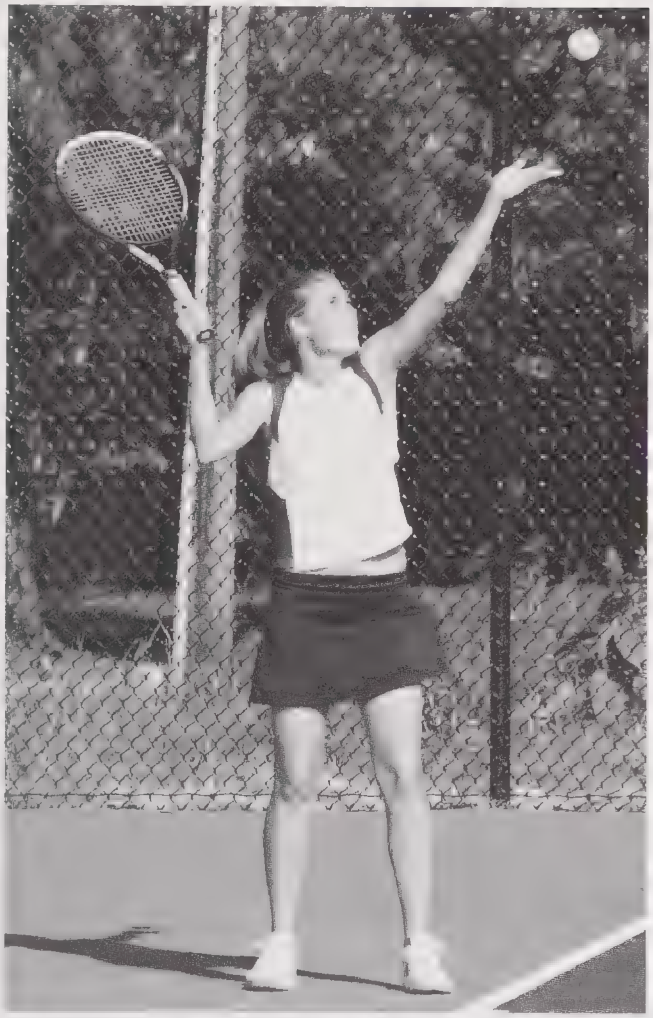
"I loved playing and hanging out with the team."

The tennis team proved themselves on the courts over and over again. Each player worked hard to show off their talent and endure the obstacles of the game. Jessica said, "I only wish there were more spaces on the team so everyone who wanted to play on the tennis team could."

Amy Lancaster takes control of the tennis ball on her side of the court. Photo by Lifetouch

Thinking fast, Timothy Carland prepares for a short underhand return. The variety of wrist positions made flexibility almost as important as accuracy. Photo by Lifetouch

Stretching out, Jake Willingham shows that he wants a victory. As a sport, tennis requires both speed and good hand-eye coordination. Photo by Lifetouch



2005 Girls' Tennis

Date	Opponent	Location
8/25	Pisgah	Away
8/30	Owen	Away
9/1	Brevard	Home
9/8	West	Home
9/13	Avery	Away
9/15	Pisgah	Home
9/20	Owen	Home
9/22	Brevard	Away
9/27	West	Away
9/29	Avery	Home

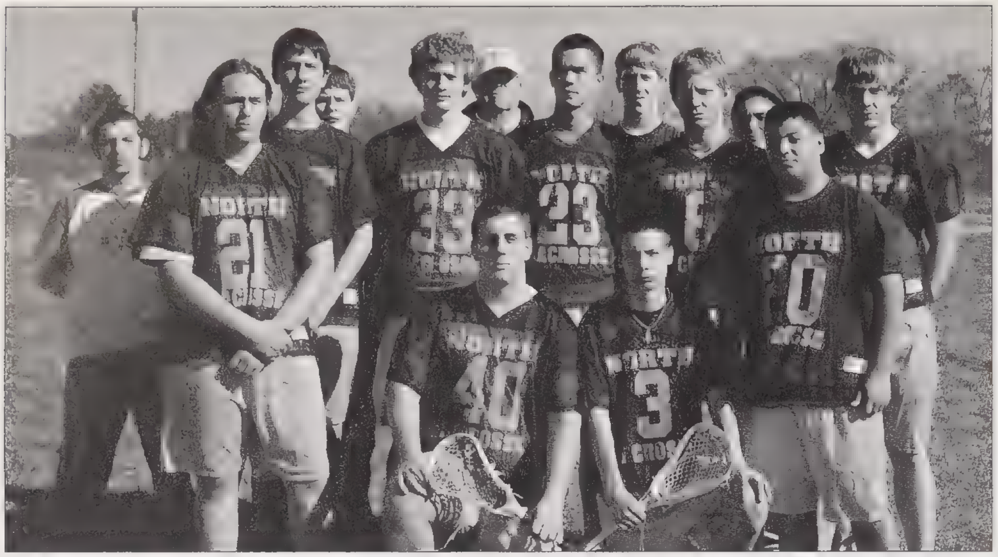
2005 Boys' Tennis

Date	Opponent	Location
3/2	Mtn. Heritage	Home
3/7	West	Away
3/9	Owen	Away
3/10	Hendersonville	Home
3/14	Avery	Home
3/21	Brevard	Home
3/23	Pisgah	Away
4/6	Mtn. Heritage	Away
4/11	West	Home
4/13	Owen	Home
4/18	Avery	Away
4/21	East	Away
4/25	Brevard	Away
4/27	Pisgah	Home

Slinging his wrist back in an effort to win, Sean Brooks returns a volley. Photo By Lifetouch

Jessica Green sends a powerful serve to her opponent. She is a new player on the team this year. Photo by Lifetouch

Aubrey Day prepares for the match to begin. The first serve is often the hardest to hit back. Photo by Lifetouch



Back: Stephen Yockey, Coach Loving, Kevin Yockey, Kacie Miller Middle: Michael Gentry, Kyle Starling, Cody Robertson, Eddy Warland, Michael Beamish, Josh Goldstein, Front: Tyler Leach, Grant Keaser, Bradley Cole, Andy Orr

2005 Boys Lacrosse

Date	Opponent	Location
April 8	Freedom	Morganton
April 12	WNCYL	Upward
April 21	Greenville	G.H.S(s.c)
April 28	East	North
May 4	Christ School	Christ School
May 5	WNCYL	North
May 10	East	East

Just try and Block me! Tyler Leach runs down the field, creating distance between himself and his opponet in order to catch a pass. Photo by Lifetouch

You can't stop me! That was the mindset of Michael Beamish as he plowed his way towards the goal in order to score. Photo by Lifetouch

Not Just A Club

by Josh Goldstein and George MeKee

The Lacrosse team gets ready and pump each other up for the game

This year coach Loving had to resort to different plans. Many of his best players were lost this year because a different team layed a new rule down. This new rule said that if a lacrosse player wanted to play for their team then they couldn't play for a different team. This rule that was in affect, gave players a choice. Coach Loving knew that he would lose some of his most gifted players.

Although coach Loving has lost many players he has also gained many rookies. With the absences of not only his seniors but some players who played for WNCYL. Senior Nick Rankin (who had brought lacrosse to the mountains from New York) was the leading scorer last year and had played for WNCYL. "I think that it's good for athletes because WNCYL has twice as long a season and twice as many games," said coach Loving. "The team is going to need to pull together and have responsibility."

Sophomore Bradley Cole played his second year for North and said "I hate that my friends wanted to go to a different team." The lacrosse team had a good season last year and wanted a good season this year. Although they lost some games they found a way to bond together and make some plays.

Coach Loving said that he has had much harsher seasons then this past season. "My players did what I expected this year and that's all that matters.

Fighting to scoop up the ball ,players try to "cradel" the ball in order to get closer to the goal and score. Photo by Lifetouch

Catch it! Bradley Cole Battles his opponet from Christ School to catch a poorly thrown ball in the opening play of the game. photo by life touch

Bradley Cole

Height: 5'9 1/2"

Other Sports Played: None

Favorite Sport: Lacrosse

Favorite Subject: World History

Favorite Quote: "Judge not that thou shal not be judged"

Favorite Moive: Gladiator

How many years have you played: 2

It's All In The Hips

Swing isn't always used for baseball.

"The thing that I liked most about the sport is meeting new people"

The adrenaline is pounding. The onlookers are anxious to see. Will it make par or will it suddenly stop an inch away from the hole? With no more than a little tap the ball gracefully travels across the green. The putter contently smiles.

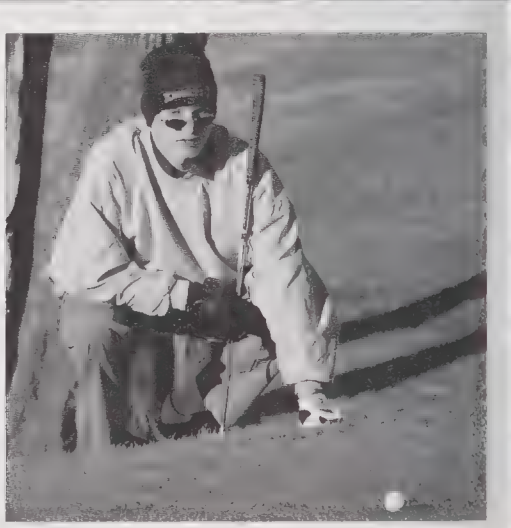
Some may say in order to have a good team there must be a large amount of players, yet the girls golf team consisted of only two players, sophomore , Michelle Janes and junior Megan Sauve. Michelle said "The thing I like most about the sport is meeting new people." The two took the team very far with their outstanding performance. In practice the girls often worked on their putting or their range to improve their skill.The girls persevered and endured some complication but overcame those barriers and left their mark as a dedicated team.

When times were hard the boy's golf team never gave up. With their exceptional skill and love for the sport the boys came into the season with a positive attitude.

Coach Taylor gave the boys and girls an abundant amount of support and confidence. Some players plan on playing in the future for a team and others just intend on keeping it as a hobby. Never the less the challenges and pressure have instilled a passion into the hearts of all who have played.

Golf can be a very complicated sport and learning he techniques can be hard as well.

She is gonna go all the way. Although there were only two girls on the golf team Michelle Janes and Megan Sauve reallypulled it together. Michelle demonstrates the proper way to drive the ball and follow through.

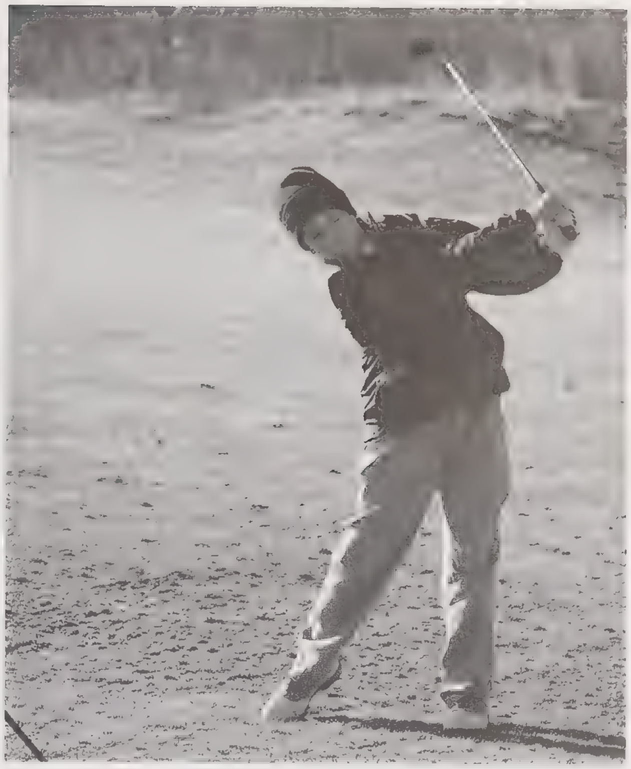


Sophomore, Kyle Collins takes a minute to get serious and examine the distance he needs to accomplish for a successful putt. Photo by B. Griffith

Andrew Beck Junior, takes His shot . The goilf teams had to take to the roads just to practices. Practices were held at several differnt golf courses, some as far away as Asheville. Photo by B. Griffith

FOUR. Michelle Janes drives the ball towards the hole with determination and skill.Michelle was a first year addition to the team. Photo by Lifetouch

Its all in the hips, Megan Sauve strattles the ball as she puts for par. Photo by Lifetouch



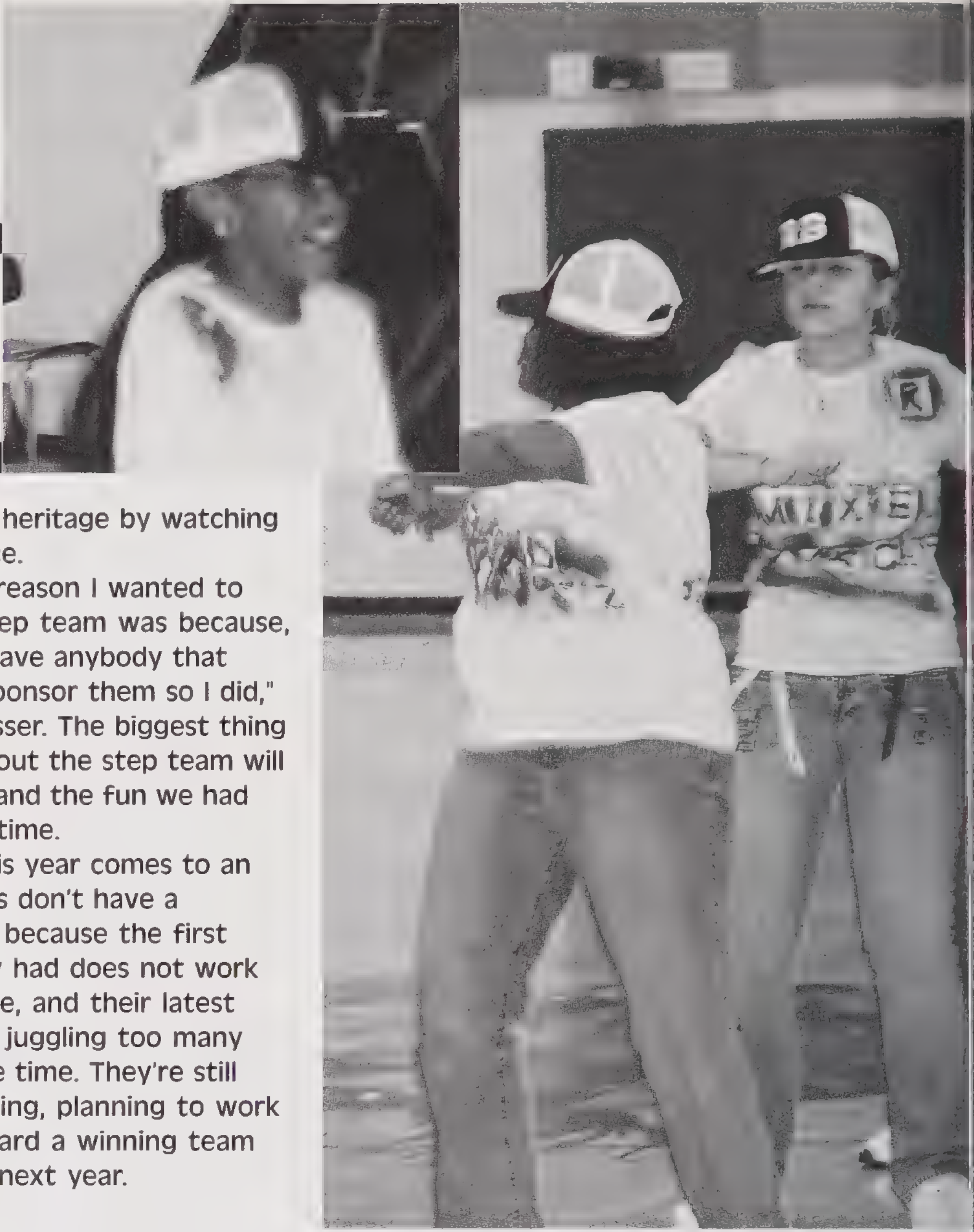
Swing it baby, Megan Sauve prepares to make a hole in one. Megan helped the team to have a successful season. Photo by Lifetouch

He Tees off. Ryan Moore Takes his stance and tees off the ball hoping toet a hole in one. This is Ryans first year golfing. Photo by B Griffith

Hold Up Wait a Minute

By Erica Colecio

Shannon Martin and the other captains stomp out a beat



"5, 6, 7, 8," said Alyssa Williams, getting ready to begin the step team performance. Step Team is considered a form of dance, but focuses on using your hands to clap and your feet to stomp out a rhythm. It came from African tribal beats.

The captains were Alyssa Williams, Shannon Martin, Marie Beaunegre, and Chelsea Martin. Chelsea said, "We consider ourselves a family." They planned on going to competitions to see what they might be up against and how hard they would have to practice to be the very best.

Step was something different and fun at the same time. They wanted to come up with their own new steps, but when Alyssa Williams, a former Step Team Memeber from New York, arrived and heard about the step team, she joined. Her contribution helped make step unstoppable.

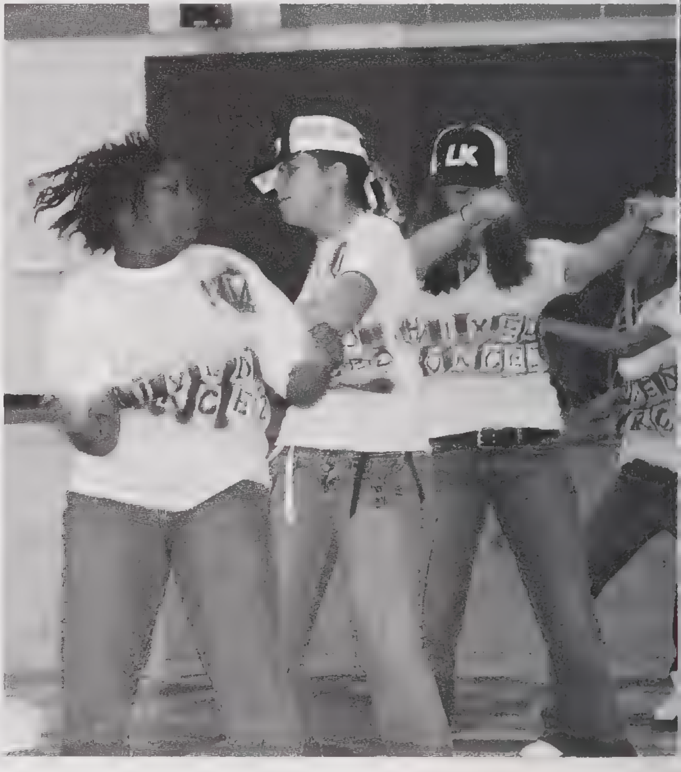
"We consider ourselves a family."

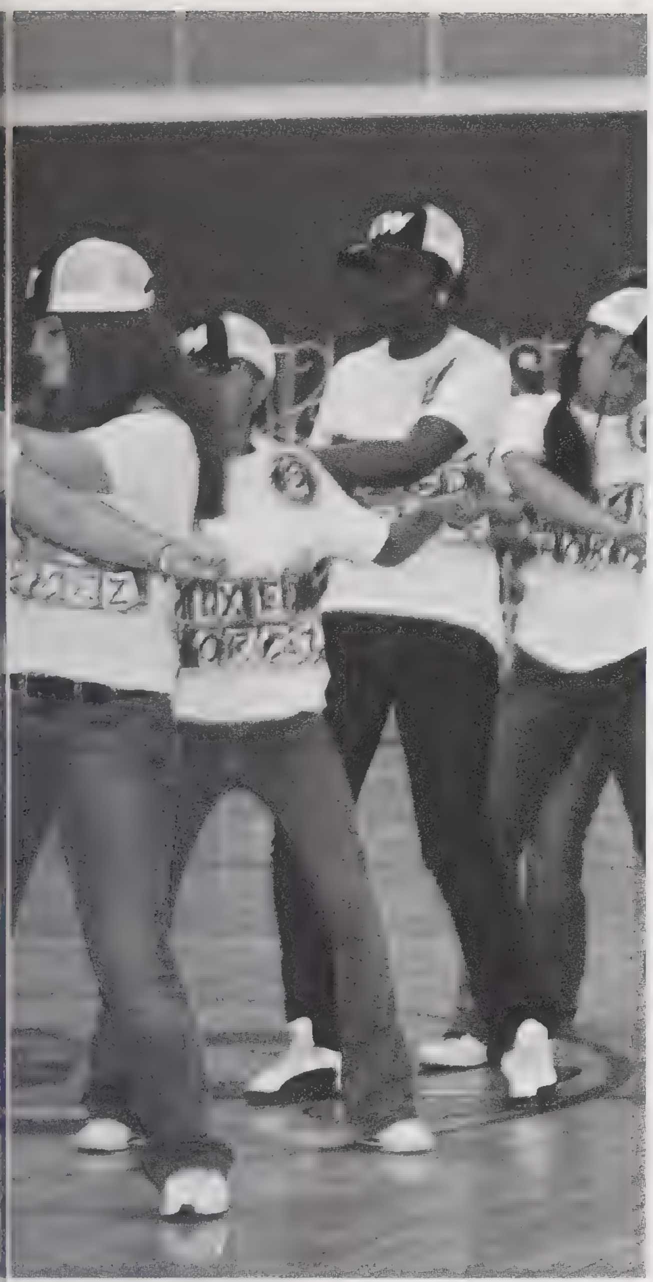
Currently, the step team has lost another sponsor, but they still keep their heads up. Mrs. Messer, their sponsor, loved the girls, and learned a lot about step's heritage by watching them practice.

"The reason I wanted to sponsor a step team was because, they didn't have anybody that wanted to sponsor them so I did," said Mrs. Messer. The biggest thing I will miss about the step team will be the girls, and the fun we had most of the time.

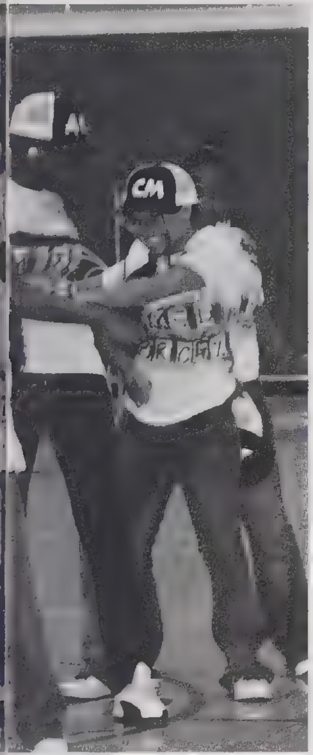
As this year comes to an end, the girl's don't have a sponsor yet, because the first sponsor they had does not work here anymore, and their latest sponsor was juggling too many things at one time. They're still looking, planning to work toward a winning team for next year.

Run! Chelsea Martin, Shannon Martin and Marie Beaunegre run to their spots to get ready to start their routine. Photo by Billy Griffith





Watch out! Renea Revitzer and Lindsey King do there thing at the homecoming pep rally. Photo by Billy Griffith



Break it down now! the whole step team is together finishing up their routine. Photo by K. Hester

Taking the floor! The girls have a real good time trying to keep the crowd motivated, by being crazy! Photo by K. Hester

Shannon Martin

Age: 17

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Band: Destiny's Child

Favorite Movie: Shrek 2

Favorite Quote: "It's like I always say: Don't run if you have no feet."

"I wanted to join the step team because it was something fun to do."

Head In The Game

By: Jessica Crocker and Lauren Cannon

Elizabeth Tomas, Junior, plays to win. Elizabeth knows how to keep her head in the game...

Do I have what it takes to push through the last 4 minutes of the game? Will I outlast my opponent? Keep going; don't give up! Those were a few of the thoughts that rushed through the head of a soccer player during an intense game.

Running back and fourth on a 110 yard field, you can be sure that these ladies were true athletes. With two new coaches the girls were eager to start the season off right. The lady soccer team brought talent and dedication along with some impeccable skills that was sure the make them a fierce competitor. "Practices were tough, but I really think coach king new how to prepare us and motivate us, he knew that we were weak in defense but we made up for it in our quickness," said junior Anahi Perez.

Coach King and Coach Childs were new to the coaching girls soccer, but their skills and coaching ability came quick. "The girls work hard and if they continue to work hard great things will come," said Coach King

Dedication was key in the success of the team. Last years season brought the most wins girls soccer had ever seen. They came out, worked hard, and got the job done. These girls definently had their heads in the game!

One on one Aubrey Day, Sophmore, uses some serious offense moves to make a goal. Aubrey is a team captain. Photo by B. Griffith.

Name: Natalie Hudgins

Age: 18

Height: 5'3"

Other Sports Played: Basketball and Softball

Favorite Sport: Soccer

Favorite Subject: Math

Favorite Quote: "If Life throws you lemons make lemonade"

Favorite Movie: Without A Paddle

Back: Coach Childs, Lucy Hillman, Jackie Goodwin, Claudia Alejos, Molly Silva, Lauren Odom, Angeles Ramirez, Coach King, Middle: Mike Dowling, Jennifer Mirkovik, Audrey Robinson, Marissa Zepeta, Anahi Perez, Natalie Hudgins, Aubrey Day, Jessica Reynolds, Wayne Nock, Front: Yamili Lopez, Alicia Diaz, Lupita Aguillon, Victoria Tate, Elizabeth Tomas, Patricia Tomas

2005 Girls Soccer

Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location
March 2	East Henderson	Away	April 4	West	Home
March 7	Owen	Home	April 6	Owen	Away
March 9	Mnt. Heritage	Away	April 7	Madison	Home
March10	East Rutherford	Home	April 11	Mtn. Heritage	Home
march 14	H.Christ. School	Home	April 18	Pisgah	Away
March 16	Pisgah	Home	April 20	Mitchell	Home
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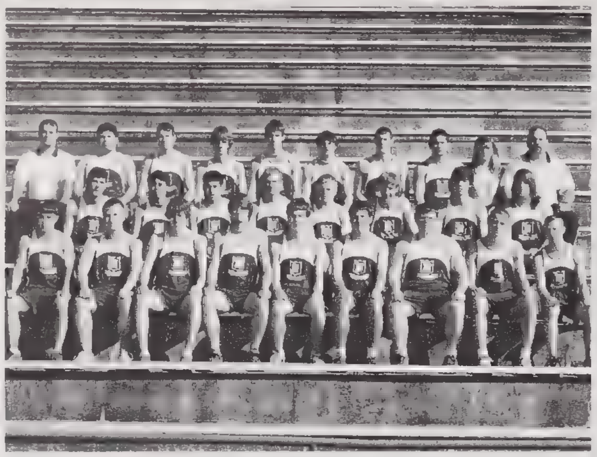
March 21	Mitchell	Away	April26	Brevard	Home
March 23	Avery	Home	May2	Madison	Away
March 24	Brevard	Away	May 4	West	Away

Audrey Robinson, Sophmore jumps up to trap the ball in order to make a winning pass. Audrey plays forward position. Photo by B. Griffith

Always prepared Victoria Tate, Freshmen, stands in a position to scare away her opponents. Victoria Tate is the starting goalie.Photo by B. Griffith.

Aubrey Day, Lupita Aguillon, and Anahi Perez make a wall to keep the other team from scoring. The Defensive side was always prepared. Photo by B. Griffith.



Back: Coach Manuel, Valentine Deleon, Eric Julian, Javan Lapp, Michael Doll, Mike Polk, Blake Morgan, Tyler Lamb, Jessica McCall, Coach Summey. Middle: Jeff Beauford, Ben Baxley, J.J Johnson, Bryan Hyder, Luke Bradley, Huston Moore, Kyle Phillips, Glen Neese. Front:Tyler Spangler, Cory Johnson, Michael Wuttke, Chad West, Chad Freeman, Scottie Williams Kyle Phillipos, Tim King.

2004 Men's Track

Date	Meet	Location
Mar. 8	Tuscola, NH, Smokey Mt.	Tuscola
Mar. 11	Franklin Invt.	Franklin
Mar. 15	Owen	Owen
Mar. 18	TBA	TBA
Mar. 22	West Invt.	West
Mar. 24	East, H'ville, Smokey Mt.	North
Apr. 7	East	East
Apr. 12	NH, WH, Owen, C -Day	N.Buncombe
Apr. 15	WHKP Relays	H'ville
Apr. 19	County Meet	West
Apr. 27	Owen, West, Pisgah, C-Day	North
May 4	Conference Meet	Pisgah
May 14	2-A Western Regional	North

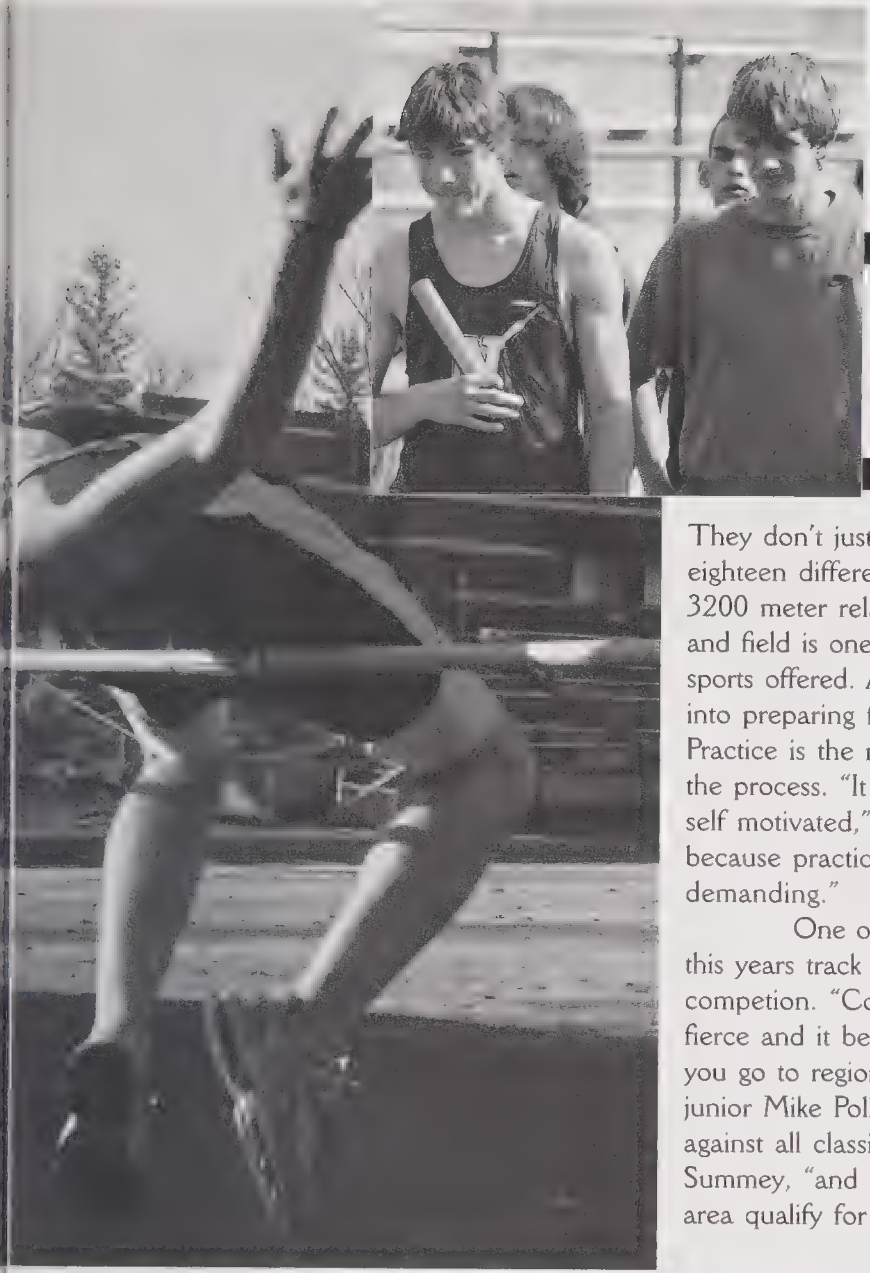
Hurdles is a tough event for anyone. Here, it looks easy, but don't be fooled. That bar is a good four feet off the ground. Photos by F. Gore

Michael Doll keeps a steady pace as part of the men's 4 by 8 competion. Mike was essential to the track team's success this season. Photo by K. Dowdle

Michael Doll bends over backwards as part of the men's high jump. Competitions were tough for players who were talented in many events. Photo by K. Dowdle

Making a run for it. Josh Penland takes off at the starting gun for the 100 meter dash. Concentration and speed were essential for track events. Photo by F. Gore

Ready for lift-off? Jeffrey Beauford competes in the men's long jump. Men could jump anywhere from twele to eighteen feet. Photo by F. Gore



Running in Circles

By Justin Cauble and William Hardin

Visualize the win. Michael Doll and Javan Lapp study the track before they compete

They don't just run they compete in eighteen different events. From the 3200 meter relay to pole vault, track and field is one of the most grueling sports offered. A lot of work is put into preparing for track season. Practice is the most important part of the process. "It takes a person that is self motivated," says Coach Manuel," because practice is very vigorous and demanding."

One of the biggest parts of this years track team's season was the competion. "Competition is always fierce and it becomes fiercer when you go to regionals and state," says junior Mike Polk. "We compete against all classifications," says Coach Summey, "and only the top 12 in the area qualify for regionals." Having this much competition you can see why track is such an exciting sport.

With expectations "running" high and only eighteen athletes, last year wasn't a great year. Having returning athletes Javan Lapp, Mike Polk, Michael Doll, Brian Hyder, and Valentin DeLeon this year had Coach Summey believing they would live up to expectations. These six men were the unofficial leaders of the team and a key to the teams' success.

The Men's track team had a lot of tough obstacles to overcome but with "a great group of young men" as Coach Summey said, this year's track team had a good season.

Mike Polk

Age:17

Height: 5'8

Other sports played: Indoor track, Water Polo, Indoor checkers/chess

Favorite Sport: Track and Field

Favorite Subject: Technical Drafting

Favorite Quote: "Napolean don't be jealous because I've been talking to hot babes online....all day."

Favorite Movie: Napolean Dynamite

Ready Set GO!

By:Kasi Dowdle and Tara Ward

Michele Dills, Christina Chavez, Felisha Garren, and Noemi Martinez know that teamwork makes all the difference.

On your mark, get set, go! The women's track team had one goal and that was to reach the finish line. Track was a very athletic sport which required a lot of charisma. The girls put their all towards making the team a success. Practices were held most afternoons for around one hour and forty-five minutes. Sophomore Amy Lancaster said, "I think practices are harder than meets because you have to do more conditioning workouts." Practices consisted of running warm-up laps, stretching, and preparing your body for an extraneous workout. Practices were very important because the team had a lot of competition. "In outdoor track West was our biggest competition," said senior Ashley Collins. Preparing for meets put a lot of stress on the team. Trying to do better at every meet was a challenge the team had to take on. Before a meet sophomore Serenity Ash said, "I pray before every jump I take at a meet." Track had many girls that chose to run certain meters, some threw shotput and discus, and some did pole vault and high jump. Handling both track and school created some problem for the track team. Although, it did not create a problem for sophomore Amy Lancaster, "I have time after practice to do my homework, and at meets you have a lot of free time between your events so I usually do homework then," said Lancaster. Track team created lots of memories together. Junior Chelsea Martin said, "My favorite memory was when we went to Franklin Invitational." The women's track team consisted of a lot of hardworking girls. The girls were determined to do their best, and put their all towards winning. Senior Ashley Collins said, "When you think you have given all you can, push a little harder, it will make you stronger."

Michele Dills hands over the baton to Christina Chavez in the girls 4 by 8 competition. Teamwork was essential to each runner's success. Photo by K. Hester.

Amy Lancaster jumps the hurdles at a home meet. Amy knew the secret to keeping sports and school balanced–do both at once. Photo by K. Hester

Back: Serenity Ash, Ashley Collins, Jennifer Kitchen, Amy Lancaster, Felica Garren, Brittany Murphy, Cassandra Freeman, Melody Mcdaniel, Jackie Watts, Third row: Kayla Swann, Megan Lynch, Jill Asycue, Michelle Dills, Jeni Norman, Laura Stave, Christina Storm, Elizabeth Hoglen, Nickie Wallace, second row: Chelsea Martin, Katelyn Kimeciak, Heather Lorenz, Noemi Martinez, Kasi Dowdle, Ana Acosta, Rickie Norman, Courtney Norman, Lauren Wielke, Front Row: Coach Faulkner, Jessica Stewart, Christina Chavez, Shannon Martin, Coach Uy

2005 Girls Track

Date	Opponent	Location
March 8	Tuscola Smokey Mountain	Tuscoloa
March 10	Franklin Invitational	Franklin
March 15	Owen, TBA	Owen
March 17	Jus Runnin' Relays	TC Roberson
March 22	West Henderson Invitational	West Henderson
March 24	Quad: East, H'ville, Smoley Mountain	North Henderson
April 5	TC Roberson	TC Roberson
April 8-9	Taco Bell Invitational	Columbia, SC
April 12	N. Buncombe, Carolina Day, Owen, West	North Buncombe
April 14	WHKP Relays	North Henderson
April 19	Henderson County Co-Ed	West Henderson
April 22-23	Volunteer Classic	Univ. of Tennessee
April 27	Owen, West, Pisgah, Carolina Day	North Henderson
May 4	WHC Conference Meet	North Henderson
May 14	2A Western Regional	North Henderson
May 20	2A State Championships	NC A&T

Noemi Martinez shows off that she's strong as well as speedy. Here she competes in the girls shot put. Photo by K. Hester

Elizabeth Hoglan catches air as part of the girls high jump. The girls competition started at four feet two inches, and kept going up until no one could make it. Photo by K. Hester

Jennifer Kitchen may just be about to sprout wings as she competes in the girls long jump. Jumpers had to be careful to leave the ground at the right spot. Photo by F. Gore

Forging New Bonds

By Lauren Cannon

"Being in a club is a different, but exciting experience," said Shunneisha Allen. Being part of clubs and organization gives students ways to connect outside of the classroom or the playing field.

The students spend time with each other during fundraisers, regular meetings, or conventions and competitions. Deca, the association of marketing students, spend four days in Greensboro for their state convention.

Clubs also give students a chance to see teachers in a new way. In the Interact club, Ms Nelson is a little bit goofier, than in class.

The outreach and community services projects club to allows students to reach out beyond school walls. The student council bowls for charity on one night for Bowl-For-kids-Sake at Tarheel Lanes on Asheville Highway.

Whether they are selling pumpkins, hanging wanted posters, or going on five kilometers rides, students who participate in clubs and organizations are all forging new bonds.

Brittney Storm helps with a mummy costume. The members of Key club, Keywanettes, and Interact came together to create a memorable Halloween carnival. Photo courtesy of Ms. West.

Members of the Spanish Club gather for a Turkey and tamale dinner. This was a way to give those who haven't experienced Thanksgiving a chance to. Photo by B.Griffith

Chris Justus and Ms. Case preside jointly over a weekly student council meeting. Student council put in a lot of hours to plan events like spirit week, and still do service activities. Photo by B. Griffith.

Laura Williams and Amanda McGrail are working hard at a summer event. Keywnettes and Key Club work hard to help out the community and those in need. Photo courtesy of Ms. West.

Every Day Everyway

By Erica Colecio and Lori Talbot

From the first second of school in August to the last day at Graduation, Ms. Case and the members of Student Council were involved in almost everything that happened on campus. Each had their own favorites; their own opinions; but everyone has *way* different opinions when it came to the point system.

"The point system is a very good idea; it helps keep everyone involved." Says Lauren Odom, freshman. Many students agree, but others believed it to be too hard to achieve.

To stay a member of Student Council, you couldn't go without having enough points for more than one month. For instance, this past January there were 9 different activities people could participate in to get their required amount of points (which was 160 that time, but changed monthly).

Any tragedy that struck our school created a flurry of activity from Student Council. As they did for the family of Amanda Clifford, Student Council collected money for several days during lunch for Jessie Overcash's family. Trees were also planted as a memorial for both girls. Close friends of Jessie also collected money.

For helping out and collecting money, Student Council members received 80 point's towards their goal.

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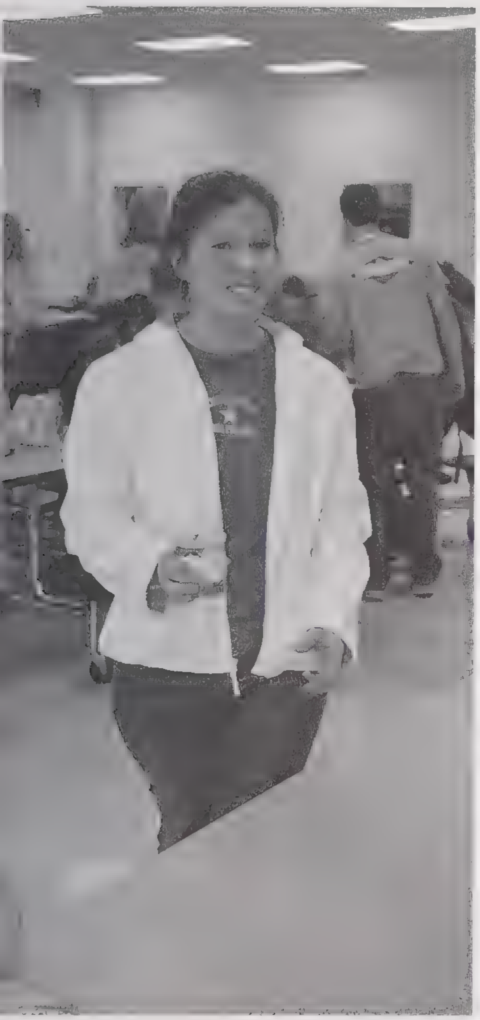
Brittany Storm, Senior, believes that, "The points system encourages participation." She has been in Student Council for 4 years, and would like to continue in Student Government during college. Tiffany Stewart, also a senior, had this to say; "In my opinion, a point system is necessary. However, I think more exceptions should be made. People who participated in Student Council were normally involved in other clubs, sports, etc. It's hard to spread yourself evenly and Student Council took a lot of time and effort."

Despite the contention, it seems like the general opinion is that the point system is a go! Overall, Student Council was a tremendous asset to the school, with their big hearts and their positive attitudes, they contributed to the school in ways which no one else could.

Ms. Case digs through her desk for a total of the money collected during a student council fund raiser. It was impressive! Photo by B. Griffith.

Student Council member Erin Finsel collects money during first lunch for the victims of the tsunami in Malaysia. Photo by B. Griffith.



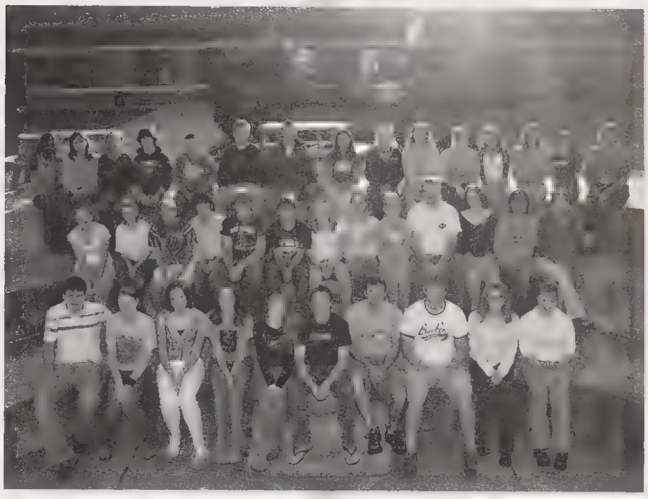
Maki Maeda and Brittney Storm count money collected for the victims of the terrible tragedy. Photo by B. Griffith.

During spirirt week Heather Gregg gets involved in selling mardi gras beads. Heather is also a member of student council. Photo by Billy Griffith.

Senior Kaley Mkormick received an award for being most improved in one of her classes. Most Inprove was sponsored by Student Coucil. Photo by Billy Griffith.

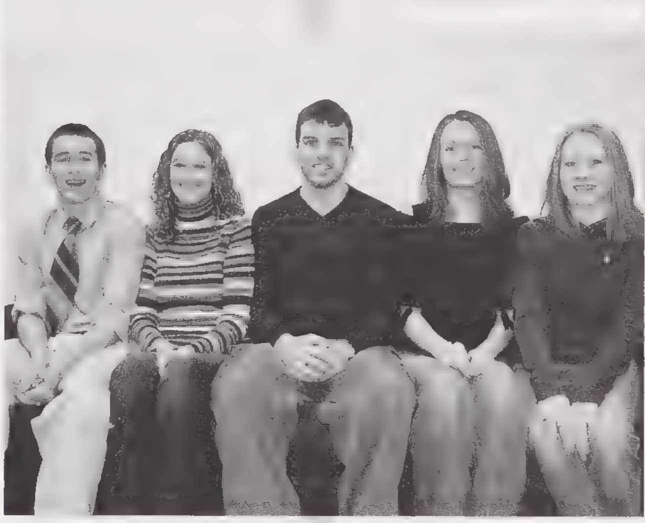
Student Council:

Officers: President: Chris Justus
1st Vice President: Brittney Storm
2nd Vice President: Wayne Nock
Secretary: Kelda Sluder
Treasurer: Tiffany Stewart



Back Row: Josalyn Batemon, Erin Finsel, Courtney Barnwell, Jared Harris, Brandon Ward, Grant Keaser, Kyle Starling, Tracey Justus, Heather Gregg, Jana Pierson, Tana Hill, Jamie Lillard, Haley Donaldson, Noemi Martinez, Ms. King. Middle Row: Hannah Williams, Victoria Tate, Tori Burgess, Hunter Enloe, Josh Goldstein, Dustin Wheeler, Brittany Carter, Lauren Odom, Amy Sweezy, Zach Brown, Kristen Evans, Bethany Garmon, Megan Sauve, Matt Holt. Front Row: Jeremy Wilder, Lucy Hillman, Susan Pryor, Kelda Sluder, Tiffany Stewart, Wayne Nock, Chris Justus, Jackie Corn, Lena Huntley, Jamie Ozmun.

Student Body Officers



Left to Right: Wayne Nock, Brittney Storm, Chris Justus, Kelda Sluder, and Tiffany Stewart.

Crimestoppers

President Bethany Player, Vice President Brittany Carter

Back row: Michael Player, Elizabeth Tomas **Middle row**: Hunter Enloe, Eun y, Kacie King, Mathew Glover **Front row**: Wayne Nock, Brittney Storm, Tiffany Stewart, Bethany Player, Brittany Carter, Andrew Andreotta

Woo Hoo! Senior Ashley Collins having some fun testing her strength to see how far she can place the bean bag. Photo courtesy M. West

Senior Brittney Storm in charge of the Mummy Wrap Contest. Kids really enjoyed getting to play all the games but the best part was all the candy! Photo courtesy M. West

Girl's Key Club

Co-President: Brittany Jones, Co-President: Tracey Justus, Vice-President: Jamie Lilliard, Historian: Lena Huntley, Secretary: Carrie Conner

Back row: Amanda Cox, Heather Gregg, Kelda Sluder, Bethany Garmon, Ashley Collings, Corey Williams, Amy Sweezy, Jessica Crocker, Haley Donaldson **Middle row**: Brittany Vuncannon, Bridget Sluder, Susan Pryor, Kaley McCormack, Kendra Childress, Danielle Freeman, Sara Case **Front row**: Lena Huntley, Brittany Jones, Tracy Justus, Carrie Conner, Jamie Lillard

Boy's Key Club

President Brandon Ward, Vice President Zach Brown, Secretary Tom Carnot, Treasurer Grant Keaser

Back row: Brandon Coleman, MackKanupp, James Gibbs, Brent Cantrell, Kyle Starling, Colby Rabon, Michael Player, Jake Willingham, Logan Brackett, Jeremy Wilder, Michael Lyda, Jason Guillen, Adam Maxwell Ruehlen IV, Tyler Nix **Middle Row**: Jose Miguel, Shawn Sellers, Brent Stepp, Jamie Justus, Wayne K. Nock III, Ben Lillard, Gregg Justus, Joe LaBaw, Brian Hyder, Andrew T. Andreotta, Justin Lamb, Colby Lanning, **Front row**: Colby Moon, Trevor Williams, Brandon Ward, Grant Keaser, Zach Brown, Tom Carnot, Jake Pittillo, Matthew Holt

Sophmore Cameron McCraw works hard helping over the Summer. Members help set up the activities and unload the truck full of prizes. Photo courtesyof M. West

Kids dressed up for Key Clubs Halloween party. This kid dressed as his favorite cartoon character. This was a rewarding expierience for everyone. Photo courtesy M. West

new ways to help

by Jessica Crocker

"One is not put into the world to do everything, but to do something." Henry David Thoreau The girls and guys key club was two dedicated and hard working clubs that did much to service the community.

Every Wednesday morning both clubs met to discuss future projects they would be participating in. In the words of senior Jake Willingham, "We serve, protect, and eat food." While having fun along the way they did far more than the ordinary. Exceeding expectations and showing that students truly do care about the community they live in they definitely grabbed attention from other members of the community. From participating in events such as Spectacular events, Hunger Walk, Pancake Breakfast, Dss babysitting, Bell ringing, and blanket drive they were more than willing to give time help others. Helping out the community was a major role both groups took on. According to senior Brittany Jones, President of Keyquanettes, "It really gives me a strong sense of pride that my small efforts help out people in so many ways, just a few hours a week makes a world of difference." The clubs are about servicing the community and overall contributing to the improvement of the world. Brittany also said, "Girls just wanna have fun getting the job done." Both clubs were and will always be a tremendous asset in the community, however, the best quality these clubs had to their advantage were their overwhelming dedication and desire to help others, and knowingness in that the small things you do can truly make a difference.

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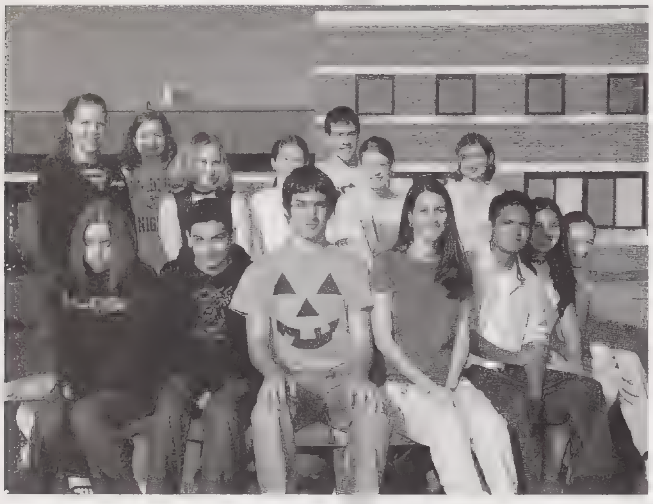
Crime stoppers was another club who serviced the community, while in a much different way they still very much so made a difference. With 12 members, the club is going and gaining prospects from students in all grade levels. Senior Tiffany Stewaurt said, "I like to feel safe in school so I feel by being a part of this club I can help." While many times people often got the wrong impression of Crime stoppers they are a club who has helped out

All Tired Out...Kids in the community came and played hard while collecting candy and prizes along the way at the Halloween Festival! Photo courtesy M. West

French Club

President: Jana Pierson
Vice President: Heather Gregg



Back: Heather Gregg, Jana Pierson, Tara Case, Carrie Conner,Jed Freeman, Lucy Hillman, Jessica Loveday. **Front**: Rachael Borsody, Eddie Montes, Max Rhuelen, Mrs.Bailey, Francisco Rodriguez, Kenny Rodriguez, Hannah Williams.

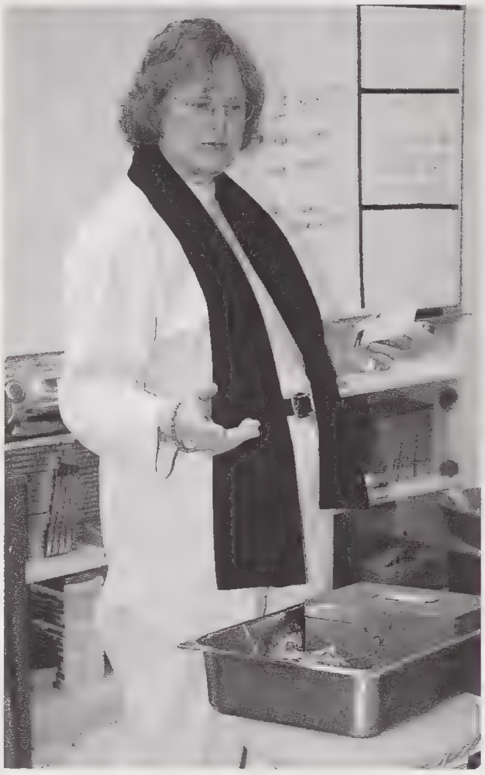
Spanish Club

President: Noemi Martinez
Vice President: Jason Guillen
Secretary: Elizabeth Tomas
Tresurer: Justin Shrader

Back: Jamie Ozmun, Daniel Huchinson, Tracey Justus, Jamie Lillard, Michelle Janes, Brittany Prince, Andrew Beck, Jamie Justus, Lindsey Grayson, Mrs.Schlueter, Jeremy Wilder, Tom Carnot, Emily Sherwood, Lori Talbot, Patrica Tomas, Anahi Perez, Ana Acosta, Zachary Brown, Larry Crawford, Nick Eddy. **Middle**: Claudia Tomayo, Felipe Rojas, Danielle Freeman, Juan Rabon, Wayne Knock, Aubrey Day, Josh Drake, Francisco Hernandez, Nancy Lloyd, Tyler Leech, Zac Conard, Amy Lancaster, Anayely Corral, Marya Ponce, Ana Aldana, Johnathan Bautista, Kacie King, Ashley Morgan, Jared Harris, Kelly Hart, Morgan Minnick, Alan Clancy. **Middle**: Marden Rodriguez, Amber Wilson, Leah Cagle, Brittany Vuncannon, Itzel Palacios, Maria Servin, Marco Sanabria, Claudia Alejos, Tana Hill, Valentina Martinez, Jeanette Rodriguez, Salena Cisneros, Lupita Perez, Juan Perez, Mack Kanupp, Cameron McCraw, Roxanne Cervantes, Adilene Vribe. **Front**: Jennifer Wolfe, Kayla Swann, Erica Colecio, Tara Escobar, Molly Silva, Juan Gomez, Elizabeth Tomas, Jason Guillen, Noemi Martinez, Justin Shrader, Lupita Aguillon, Marisela Cruz, Rigo Coral, Diego Cruz.

The French Club enjoys a night out at Outback. Going out to eat was an activity that the club participated in often. Photo by E. Finsel.

Laura Stave dresses up for the Fat Tuesday parade. Costumes played a big role in this parade. Photo By E. Finsel.



Ms. Schlueter sells candy as part of the Spainish club's drive to raise money to help Tsunami victims. This was one of many service projects the club did. Photo by B. Griffith.

Alex Von Lautz stands waiting to eat at the Spanish club Thanksgiving Dinner. Alex was an exchange student from Germany this year. Photo by B.Griffith.

Kristen Barnwell and Daniel Henniger prance around the halls in the Fat Tuesday parade. This was held the day before lent started. Photo by E. Finsel.

speak a new tongue

By William Hardin and Tara Ward

Most students in school not only speak English but speak French or Spanish and sometimes all three. There are clubs available for both French and Spanish languages. This past year Spanish had around eighty members. Junior Justin Shrader said, "We get together and just have fun sometimes."

Spanish club was involved with school fundraisers, service for the community, and service for the school. The only requirements to be in the Spanish club were paying dues which were five dollars, attending meetings the last Friday of every month, and participating in activities. The Spanish club was involved with many ideas that took place around the school.

French club is another club available for students. French club consisted of about seventeen members.

Going to dinner, bowling, putt-putt, and going to the movies were activities French club participated in. Mrs. K. Bailey was in charge of the club, she said the only requirements to be in the club were, "be interested in French and pay the dues." The dues for French club were five dollars and the club met once a month at least. Socializing played a key role in the French club. Carrie Connor said, "I joined because I get to hang out with my friends and other people taking French." French club also attended competition.

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Foreign language clubs were lots of fun for students. From hanging out with friends, bowling, eating, participating in volunteer work, and just being interested in a foreign language, students found Spanish and French club's very interesting. So if you are not a member yet, get your five dollars and join one of the foreign language clubs.

never go flat

By Courtney Capps

Students in both strings and chorus enjoyed using their talents. Junior, Heather Corn, said "I love to sing because you can make people very happy just by the sound of your voice." Michael Jerose, Junior, said, "I enjoy being in strings because it's fun and it gives me an opportunity to learn about music and get better at playing other instruments such as the guitar."

The chorus students went to a workshop in the fall semester and they did sight reading and other things to help them exercise their vocal cords. Heather said "The workshop gives you a chance to correct what you are doing wrong and it enhances your performance."

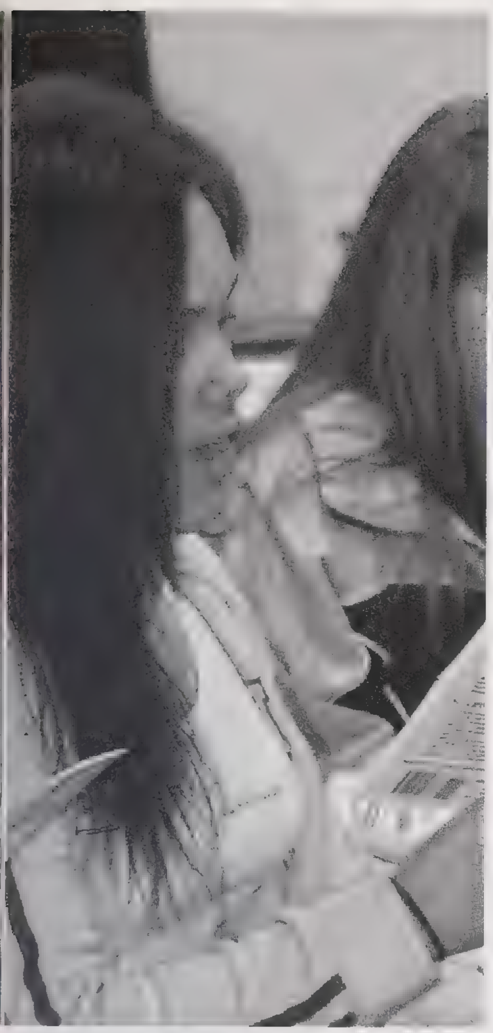
> "You can make people very happy just by the sound of your voice."

Strings members were excited to play at the National Honor Society assembly. Jeremy Wilder, Sophomore, said, "I have been in strings for five years and I enjoy it every time I get a chance to play in front of people." Everyone has their favorite instruments they get excited about. Michael said "I've been in strings since I was in the sixth grade and I enjoy playing the viola and the bass."

Lauren Repass, Junior, said, "Mr. Cagle is a lot of fun. He into getting us heard more around the community." Heather said "I think that he's an awesome teacher and he will make our choir much better." Some of the choir members think that the idea of getting them heard more around the community was a great idea. Heather said, "Being heard more in the community will give us a chance to step out into the community and maybe give us a chance to better our choir."

Heather Corn and Lauren Repass warm up their vocal chords before they practce for an upcoming concert. Photo by K. Hester.

Jeremy Wilder plays his cello getting ready for the big concert in a few days. Jeremy had to perfect his technique on the newest song. Photo by K. Hester.



Leah Cagle and Sarah Maldonado sing during class to perfect their abilities. They practice very often. Photo by K. Hester.

Sarah Ray cautiously fingers her strings on the violen producing a sweet melody that soothes the souls of her fellow classmates. Photo by K. Hester.

Chorus

Directed by Richard Cagle

Back row: Hannah Williams, Sarah Flood, Heather Corn, Sarah Maldonado, Brandon Wallace Second row Stephanie Schuster, Jessica Green, Lauren Repass, Heather Lorenz Front row Cristal Dill, Summer Balkin, Chelsea Morrow, Brandon Duncon

Canaan Cox works his magic in the strings room. He concentrates as he puts on a performance for the rest of the class. Photo by K. Hester.

Strings

Directed by Susan Johnson

Back Michael Jerose, Canaan Cox, Jeremey Wilder, Sarah Ray, Dmitriy Demchuk
Front Josh Robinson

Theater and International Thespian Society

President Kaley McCormack, Vice President Lindsey King, Secretary Lucy Hillman, Historian Matthew Glover

Back Wayne Nock, Heather Gregg, Lena Huntley
Front Lucy Hillman, Matthew Glover, Kaley McCormack, Lindsey King

In this scene from "Lovers" Matthew Glover and Kaley McCormack are trying to get away from it all by pretending they are in a war. Photo by C. Stevens

Matthew Glover and Kaley McCormack discuss the future of their love life in this act of the play. Photo by C. Stevens

Shannon Haggerty and Megan Wilson perform a scene in the fall play, "Alabama Rain." Many students attended the play during 4th Period. Photo by C. Stevens.

Lucy Hillman and Emily Sherwood get into their roles in "Alabama Rain". This is very important to be a good thespian. Photo by C. Stevens.

"Lover", Kaley McCormack nags Matthew Glover while he tries to study for exams. Photo by C. Stevens

get the act together

By Brooke Powers

The International Thespian Society is named for Thespis, who is believed to have been the first actor. In 54 B.C., he stepped out of the Greek Chorus and spoke alone.

The International Thespian Society (known as I.T.S.) is an international honor society and a part of the Educational Theatre Association. Being invited to join I.T.S. is not only a big honor, but it carries a lot of responsibility. Members lead in all of the Theatre activities including both the fall play and the spring musical. The International Thespian Society meets on the first Tuesday of each month. In October, the Thespians attended and competed at the North Carolina Theatre Conference Play Festival. In December, they had their annual Christmas Party at Ms. Byorick's house. They also produced the spring musical, Bye Bye Birdie in May.

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To become a Thespian, in addition to having at least a 3.25 GPA, a student wanting to be inducted in I.T.S. must have worked 100 hours in the Theatre, worked in at least two productions, and have experience both on stage and backstage.

A week of pledge ship follows a tapping ceremony. If a pledge follows instructions, they are initiated in a formal ceremony, which is usually held in May.

Members of Troupe 5459 (North's Chapter) are: Heather Gregg, Matthew Glover, Lucy Hillman, Lena Huntley, Lindsey King, Stephanie McCall, Kaley McCormack, and Wayne Nock.

honor and intellect

By Austin Tiller

"I pledge myself to uphold the high purposes of the National Honor Society, to which I have been selected, striving in every way, by word and deed, to make its ideals the ideals of my school and my life." After the inductees recited this pledge, they became members of the very prestigious National Honor Society. When inducted into the National Honor Society, the members were expected to uphold the 4 Pillars, which are four qualities held in high esteem by the society. The first quality they used to decide new members is scholarship. "Scholarship means a commitment to learning." Members were expected to maintain a 3.9 weighted G.P.A. while in the club.

The second quality they used to determine new members was service. They define service as "willingness to work for the benefit of those in need, without monetary compensation or recognition." Members participated in before- and after-school peer tutoring in all subjects as their primary service project.

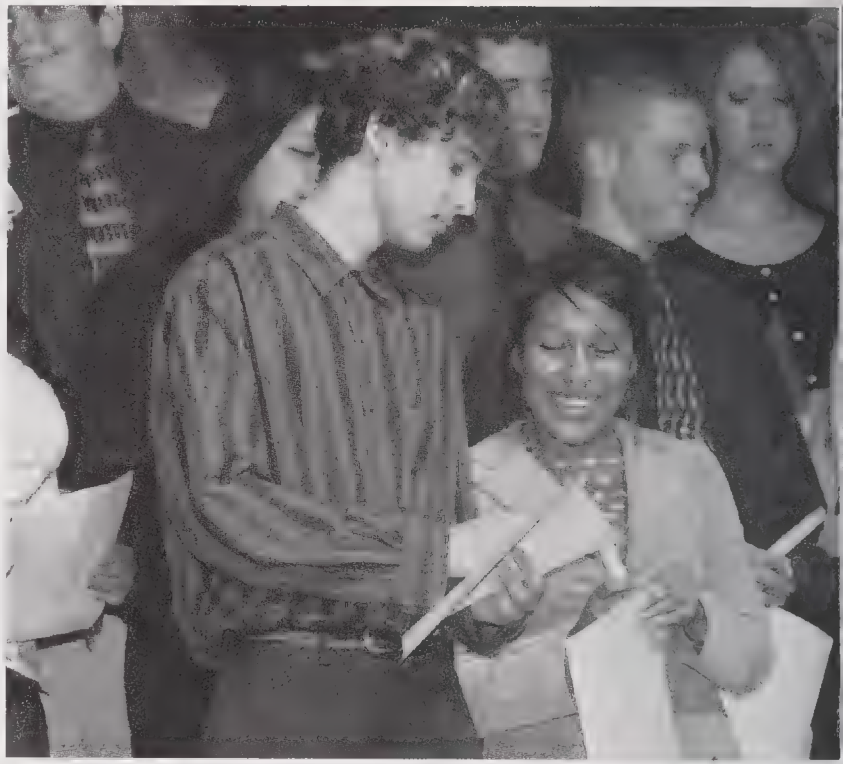
"Taking the initiative in class and school activities, the real leader strives to train and aid others to attain the same objective."

The third quality for membership was leadership. According to National Honor Society standards, leadership meant "taking the initiative in class and school activities, the real leader strives to train and aid others to attain the same objective."

The fourth quality was character. "Character is the force within each individual, which distinguishes that person from others." Honor Society members were chosen for their upstanding morals in the community as well as their academic achievements.

Another Honor club is CTE, or Career and Technical Education Society. CTE is mostly an honor club that occasionally works alongside vocational clubs, with very few members. To get into CTE, students must have a 3.5 cumulative GPA in at least 4 vocational classes, and an overall GPA of 3.25.

Both clubs academically challenged themselves to uphold academic excellence and strived to do their best.

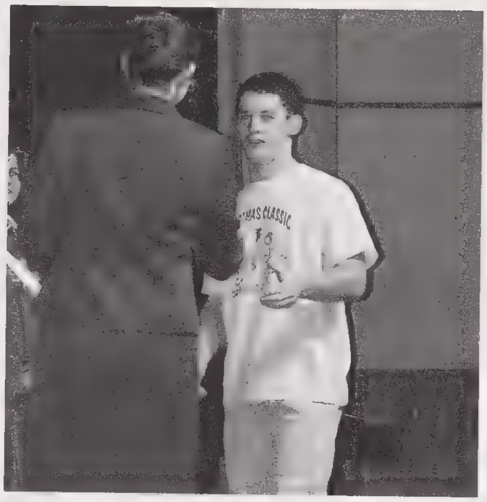


Justin Schrader, Junior, passes the candle light to Elizabeth Tomas. At the inducting cermony, the candle light represented the passing on of knowledge. Photo by K. Hester.

At the tapping ceremony, Ms. Friend speaks to the new inductees about their great accomplishments. Photo by B. Griffith.

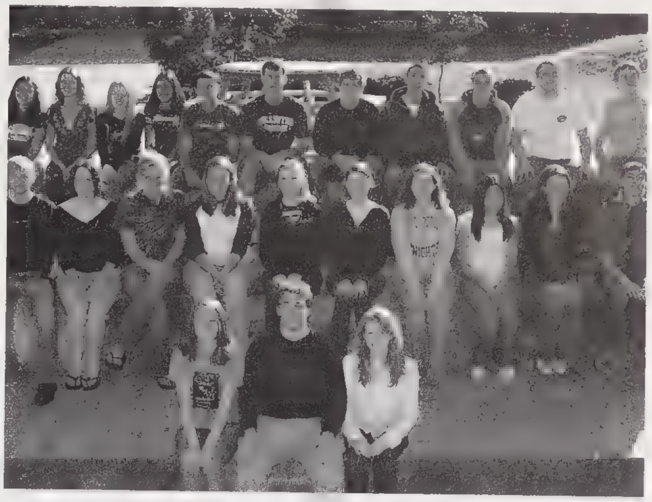
Grant Keaser, Senior, lights candles for the new National Honor Society members. Grant is also the Vice President of the club. Photo by K. Hester.

Ms. Friend gives Justin Lamb, Junior, an invitation to be a member of the Knights Chapter of the National Honor Society. Photo by B. Griffith.

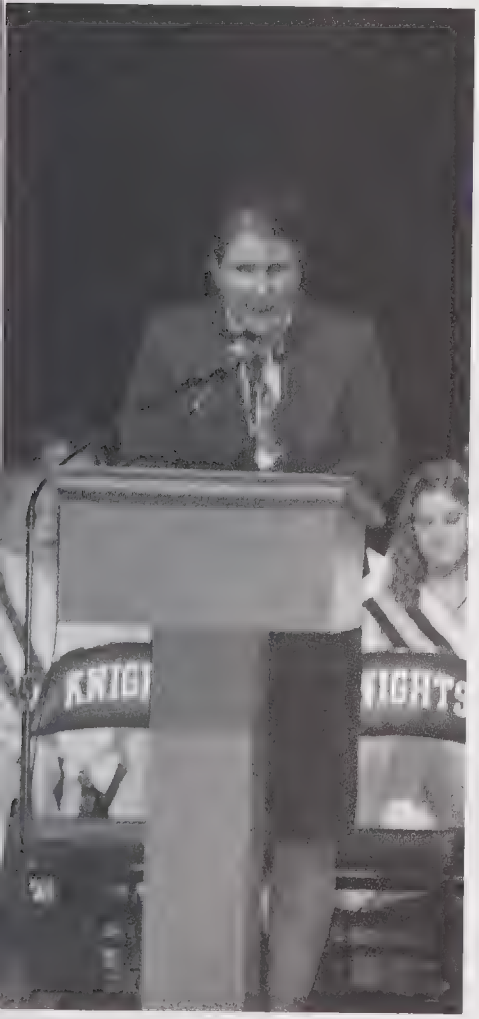


National Honor Society

President Kelda Sluder, Vice President Grant Keaser, Secretary Lena Huntley.

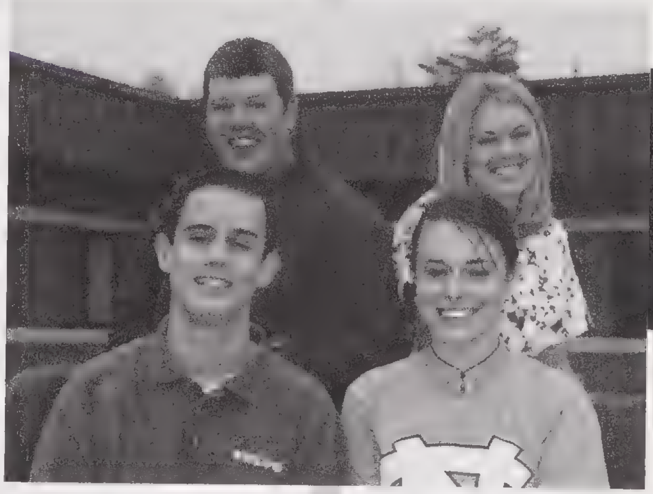


Back Tracy Justus, Brittney Storm, Tiffany Stewart, Noemi Martinez, Jake Willingham, Ben Lillard, Casey Cox, Kyle Starling, Jake Pittillo, Zach Brown, Dan Hazlett.
Middle Brian Hyder, Kisten Evans, Ashley Brooks, Holly Burgess, Heather Gregg, Kaley McCormack, Jana Pierson, Eun Yi, Brittany Jones, Joe Labaw.



Kristen Evans, Senior, introduces the speakers at the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony. Most of the speakers are officers in the club. Photo by K. Hester.

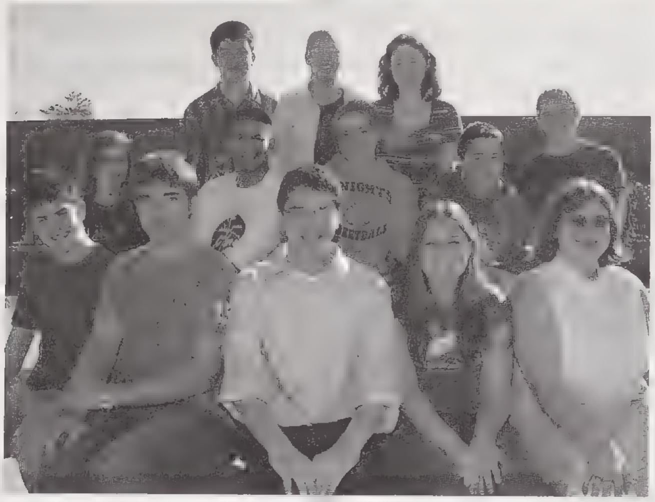
Career and Technical Education Scholars



Back Jerred Nix, Laura Laugher.
Front Billy Griffith, Brittany Jones.

Future Business Leaders of America

President James Gibbs, Vice President Jay Pryor, Secretary Stephanie Fyfe, Historian Karen Lander, Parliamentarian Michael Manning



Back Logan Brackett, Sam Young, Lori Talbot
Middle Tiffany Barnwell, Jason Collazo, Danielle Freeman, Jason Guillen, Brian Hyder
Front Micheal Manning, James Gibbs, Jay Pryor, Stephanie Fyfe, Karen Landert

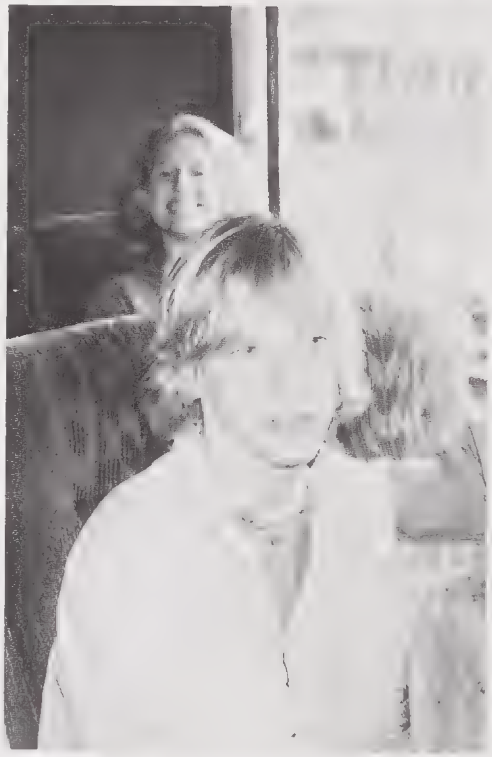
DECA: An Association of Marketing Students

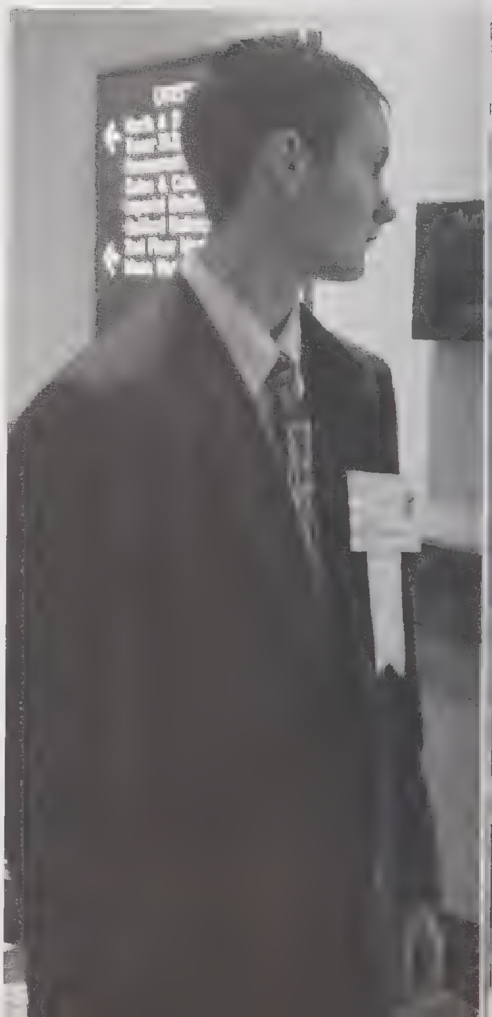
President Jacie Watts, Vice President James Marshall, Historian Matthew Osbourne, Secretary Jamie Osmund

Back William Frazier, Billy Griffith, Alex von Lutz, Sid Starns, Kayla Tatham, Patrick Singletary, Ravin Patel, Ashley Moses, Chasity Honeycutt, Jennifer Kitchen, Josh Penland, Seth Baldwin, Jessica Loveday, Talia Freeman, Thomas Drye, Baily Brown, Luke Bradley
Front Cassie Thompson, Morgan Minnick, Matt Osborne, Jamie Ozmun, Jacie Watts, D.T. Studebaker, James Marshall, Sean Owen, Mattew Holt, Mrs. Singletary

Josh Penland opens a gift at DECA's secret santa dinner as Jennifer Kitchen looks on. DECA held this dinner right before Christmas. Photo by A. Singletary.

D.T. Studebaker works on his money organization skills...in a sink? D.T. wanted change for a coke at DECA State Competition. Photo by B. Griffith.

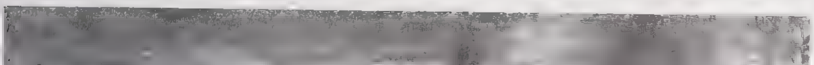




D.T. Studebaker is stunned after just waking up on the bus ride back from Nashville TN after DECA International Competition. Photo by A. Singletary.

make business a goal

by Sean Owen



James Marshall checks the name of the room, making sure hes going to the right place to take his area's test. Photo by B. Griffith.

Competitors at International DECA competition pose for a group photo in their business attire. Photo courtesy A. Singletary.

"I'm in DECA because I want to make lots of money one day," Ashley Moses, Freshmen, revealed. DECA and FBLA were both clubs that shared the goal of preparing students for the world of business. "DECA is an Association of Marketing Students but its so much more too; it's a way to help the community and you get to meet a lot of great people in the process," James Marshall, Junior and Vice President of DECA, commented.

"I joined FBLA because I wanted to meet new people and I had an interest in business," said Jay Pryor, Sophomore and Vice-President of Future Business Leaders of America.

DECA members were given the opportunity to travel to District, State, and International Competition to compete in Business role-plays and tests in a particular category, which they chose. At State Competition there were a variety of scholarships and funding available for seniors to take advantage of. FBLA also had these same forms of competition.

DECA and FBLA both helped out around campus and sponsored fundraisers to further their cause. DECA sponsored Signs of Spirit during homecoming week. This gave the clubs around campus a chance to make a poster or sign for their club celebrating homecoming and spirit week. DECA also sponsored a hat week to help raise money for tsunami victims that might have lost their homes or family members. "My favorite thing we did in FBLA was the Johnson Farm Day," Jason Guillen commented. "It was fun and very educational"

"It's a way to help the community and you get to meet a lot of great people in the process"

Both DECA and FBLA have always been clubs focused on the future. In the times of today they are the driving force keeping students interested in the business world and trade practices.

get the job done

by Corey Williams

Two different clubs, many different activities, and several different career plans. There are many differences between HOSA and FCCLA but they both share a common goal; taking a step to better their future.

Some big events HOSA participated in were singing Christmas Carols and a Halloween party for nursing homes. Events for FCCLA were making pumpkin pies for Ministry One, animal shelter drive, and competitions. Both clubs worked in the community to cheer people up or make lives better for people and animals.

When joining clubs there are many requirements you have to fill to become a member. HOSA and FCCLA both required you to pay dues and take courses for that pathway. HOSA you had to take medical classes and FCCLA you had to take work force development courses.

"I joined FCCLA to learn more about my career in nutrition and to compete."

When asked why she joined HOSA sophomore, Briana Bushelli said, "It will help me to get into college." Many members of clubs joined for the same reason as Briana, because many colleges look at how involved you are in your community. However, Junior Noel Carter joined because, "I want to be a nurse, and it's fun."

"I joined FCCLA to learn more about my career in nutrition and to compete," said Senior, Brittany Jones who received a gold trophy in competition. Many people joined FCCLA to learn more about the career they are interested in and learn what it takes to have the career they want. Many people become members of clubs because they want to be involved and feel like they're a part of something, like Junior Emily Lyda, who said she joined, "to get more involved in my school and community."

FCCLA, like many clubs, attends competitions where they present projects concerning family/consumer sciences. They present them to judges telling how to better your community, your school, and your environment.

By being in FCCLA and HOSA, you get to be involved in the community and learn more about your desired career. Best of all, you make new friends.

Rolling away. Kendra Childress, Corey Starling, and Michaela McMinn show people what life is like to be geriatric. Photo by E. Finsel.

Kicking back. Ashley Collins pretends to be a patient while members of HOSA tend to her every need. Photo by E. Finsel.

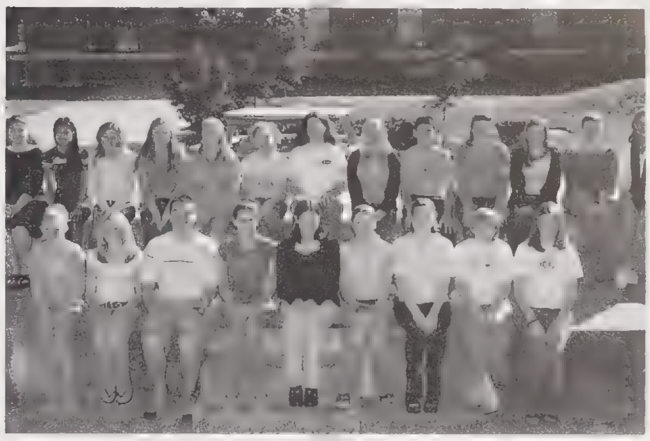
Carol Lacy, Emily Lyda, Laura Laughter, Sharon Rhodes, and Brittany Jones at FCCLA competition. Carol, Emily, and Brittany medaled. photo courtesy of Brittany Jones.

Members of FCCLA celebrate hard work with a party for the Christmas Holiday. Photo courtesy of M. Lytle.

Working hard. FCCLA gathered together to make gift baggies for teachers. FCCLA did many things around the school to help. Photo courtesy of M. Lytle.

HOSA

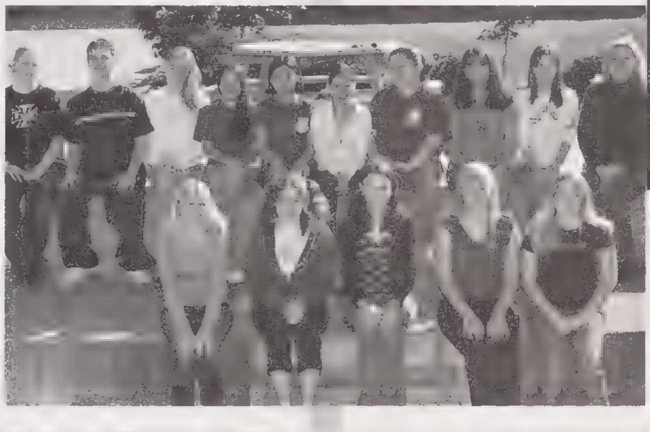
President Josh Wullenweker
Co President Kendra Childress
Vice President Brittany Carter
Parlamentarian Ashley Collins
Secretary Cory Starling
Historian Amber Smith
Reporter Noel Carter
Advisor Kathy Pryor



Back: Kacie King, Noemi Martinez, Briana Bushelli, Mandy McGrail, Jennifer Case, Lacie Baker, Michaela McMinn, Felicia Lewis, Drew Sherrill, Kayla Denham, Chelsea Morrow, Kayla Donaldson, Kayla Swann. Front: Amy Sweezy, Brittany Carter, Josh Wullenweker, Ashley Collins, Kendra Childres, Cory Starling, Amber Smith, Noel Carter, Kristen Glass.

FCCLA

President - Brittany Jones
Vice President - Laura Laughter
Secretary - Emily Lyda
Historian/Chaplain - Brooke Taylor
Treasurer - Gladys Cagle
Advisor - Molly Lytle



Back: Jessica Frady, Thomas Murphy, Leena Gifford, Tara Escabar, Salena Cisneros, Marisela Cruz, Valentina Martinez, Heather Madrid, Sharon Rhodes, M. Lytle. Front: Laura Laughter, Emily Lyda, Brittany Jones, Brooke Taylor, Gladys Cagle.

come together in faith

By Kasi Dowdle and Justin Cauble

FCA and BASIC are two different names and two different clubs with one mission, to fellowship with other Christians in their school.

FCA is the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Just because FCA means Fellowship of Christian Athletes doesn't mean you have to be an athlete; all students are welcome to come in. FCA usually meets Thursday mornings around seven-thirty in the media center. "Everyone is welcome. There are no membership dues or requirements," said Brittany Jones, Senior. "FCA is a warm, laid-back Christian atmosphere where we can talk and pray as Christians, and everyone can come in and be welcomed," Brittany said.

> **"FCA is a warm laid back Christan atmosphere where we can talk and pray as Christians."**

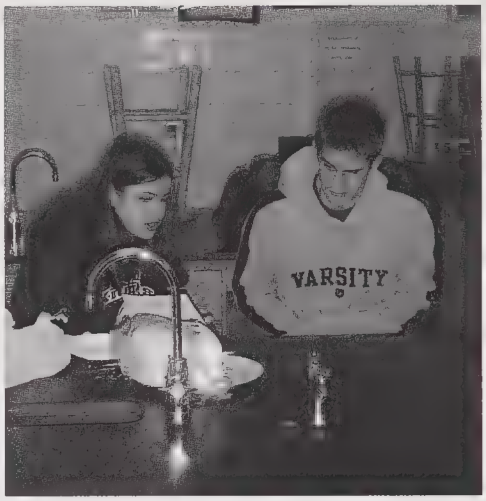
The same goes for BASIC; everyone is invited and no dues. BASIC stands for Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

"In the Bible, it says 'Share each others' troubles and problems and in this way obey the laws of Christ,' Galatians 6:29. We meet together weekly and in this time we are able to share each others' trouble. As we share these things, people who had like experiences can help by telling us what it was like and let them to pray us through and help us as we get through it since they've already gone through it," Sophomore Matthew Holt said. Bridget Sluder, Sophomore, said "With only a few people involved, I really enjoy how close we are."

BASIC does two main events throughout the year where they reach out to the community. They pick a family at Thanksgiving and Christmas and they buy food for them so they can have a happy Thanksgiving and a merry Christmas too.

Members of FCA sit as they discuss how God has helped them this week. Few members in FCA are members of BASIC as well. Photo by B Griffith.

Tracy Justice and Matthew Holt sit in BASIC as Tracy reads the devotion Tracy is an Officer and Matt is the Treasurer. Photo by K. Hester.



Mr. Uy, Brittany VunCannon and Kasi Dowdle sit in FCA on a Thursday morning starting the day off great. Mr Uy is the teacher adviser. Photo by B. Griffith.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

President Brittany Jones, Officers Tracy Justice, Brittany Storm, Justin Lamb, Wayne Nock.

Back, Jason Moffit, Holly Sizemore, Nick Walker, Matthew Holt, Patrick Singletary, Logan Brackett, Josh Drake, Aubrey Day, Brittany VunCannon, Dustin Wheeler, Eddie Worland, Jeremy Wilder, Hunter Enloe,Chelsea Erskin, Jessica Green, Jessica Wright, Megan Brooks, Middle Jake Willingham, Jamie Allen Justice, Brandon Ward, Christina Storm, Lauren Odem, Dexter Blackwell, Kaley McCormack, Ben Marlow, Daniel Hutchinson, Kate Byrd, Dan Hazlett, Grant Keaser, Chad Anderson, Jennifer DiGangi, Brittany Storm, Tracy Justice, Brittany Jones, Justin Lamb, Wayne Nock

Mr. Weast and Ashley Holt sit in BASIC and listen to Tracy share the lesson. Mr. Weast is the teacher involved and says he enjoys it all the time. Photo by K. Hester.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ

President Jana Pierson, Vice President Tracey Justice, Treasurer Matthew Holt.

Back Eun Yi, Dexter Blackwell, Kacie King. Middle Bridget Sluder, Heather Gregg, Kelda Sluder, Lauren Odem. Front Jana Pierson, Tracy Justice, Matthew Holt

Skills USA

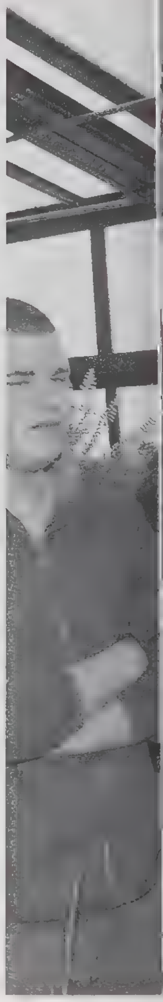
Trey Hope, Dustin Carlisle, Mark Villanueva, Colby Moon

Future Farmers of America

President: Ashley Brooks, Vice President: Morgan Hensley, Secretary: Maryann Hudgins, Treasurer: Jerred Nix, Historian: Jason Blackwell

Back: Mr.Hnatow, Rachael Metcalf, Samantha Hill, Meleah Brevard, Josh Anderson, Brian Maxwell, Alberto Hernandez, Ethan Gibbs, Nathan Hale, Nick Eddy, Zac Conard, Tim King, Kyle Wolfe, Lecretia Holbert, Colby Lanning, Robert Tuttle. **Middle**: James Garren, Turner Smith, Kris Youngblood, Gene Gifford, Jessica Frady, David Jackson, Troy Jackson, Jeremy McMinn, Travis Warren, Mattie Drake, Heather Madrid, Holly Burgess, Robin Morrow, Kemy Chastain, Corey Rogers, GW Mayo. **Middle**: Jared Harris, Jacob Hill, Brent Cantrell, Cory Stepp, Brandon Ward, Eric Glisson, Trevor Williams, Tiffany Dwy, Jessica McCall, Anthony Moore, Jeremy Sinclair, Cody Newman, Kevin Blackwell. **Front**: Travil Calton, Jonathan Bishop, Jason Blackwell, Jerred Nix, Ashley Brooks, Morgan Hensley, Maryann Hudgins, Phillip Beal, Daniel Howard.

Matt Holifield and Cody Robertson work hard on Cody's truck during second period. Fixing vehicles trucks was a hobby both these students enjoyed. Photo by B. Griffith



Phillip Beal, David Jackson, and Dusty Robinson listen as Mr. Hnatow Explains how plants are fertilized. Photo by Chad Stevens

Marie Beaunegre and Shunneisha Allen plant tulip bulbs during Horticulture. Photo by: B. Griffith

Brooke Taylor works on adding soil to a Christmas cactus in the greenhouse. FFA students sponsor a plant sale every spring. Photo by B. Griffith.

Students work hard during their vocational classes. These classes help prepare students for a career. Photo by B. Griffith

put skills to use

What is FFA? FFA which means Future Farmers of America is an organization that is devoted to spending there time on projects such as camping, shooting team, selling beef jerky and many other fun and exciting projects.

Many people thought that FFA was just a farmer thing, that may have been so but there are many people joining that aren't farmers. Sophomore Trevor Williams has been in FFA since he first started high school. "We do a lot of fun and exciting things like tractor pulls and tractor races" said Trevor. "We also sell beef jerky whether you like spicy ones or if you like regular they all taste good. Trevor had enjoyed FFA ever since he joined it gave him something to do when he was bored. If DECA isn't your thing or any other club kids have resorted to FFA. Mr. Hinatow is the advisor of the club and enjoyed every bit of it "We have over 60 students in our school that are in FFA." Said Mr. Hinatow "It helps the students build there confidence and skill in conducting a business meeting. FFA had done a lot of "Hands on" jobs.

With only four people in Skills USA, students had more to do and just had fun. Skills USA goes to competitions, there they build things, work on cars, and partake in many other activities. Coach Burch said, "VICA is a very interesting club, we would like more people to join so we can teach them new things."

VICA or Skills USA has had a fun and exciting year overall. Matt Hollifield and Cody Roberson worked on cars most of the year. After Cody's truck broke down, both were found working to fixing it. Members like this proved how dedicated and hardworking everyone acted towards the club.

"VICA is a very interesting club..."

to aim interact

by Lori Talbot and Tara Ward

Community service played a key role in the clubs Interact and AIM. Interact's perogative was to help the community by participating in volunteer work. In October, Interact was involved is selling pumpkins for the Eblen Foundation. Interact also participated in a chili contest. Sophomore Erin Finsel said, "We got to walk around downtown Hendersonville wearing signs; it was really fun."

Interact had a goal to help improve the community by putting their all towards making things better. Interact had many involved members. Members tried very hard to make each activity they participated in a success.

> **"I enjoy the dances we held, especially planning and telling people to come."**

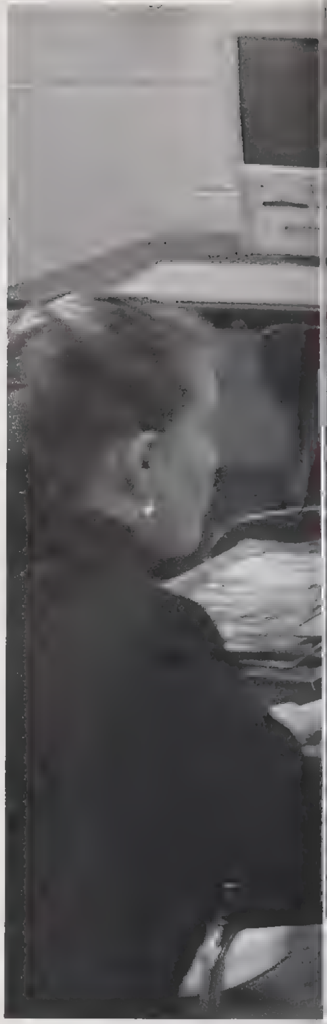
AIM also participated in volunteer work. Their priority was to get the Hispanic students more involved in the community activities and the school activities. President of the club Junior Elizabeth Tomas said, "I enjoy the dances we held, especially planning and telling people to come." AIM held a dance here at the school at Halloween that many students attended. The money raised went to help the club in further activities. AIM also participated in a car wash at Mr. Pete's Market to raise money for the club.

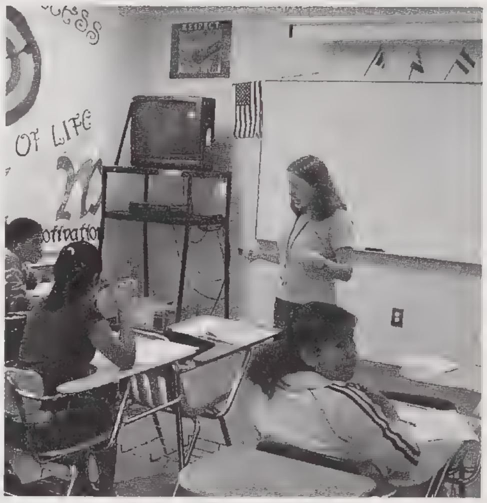
AIM was highly successful throughout the school and throughout the community. All together each member worked together to make AIM a great club to be involved in.

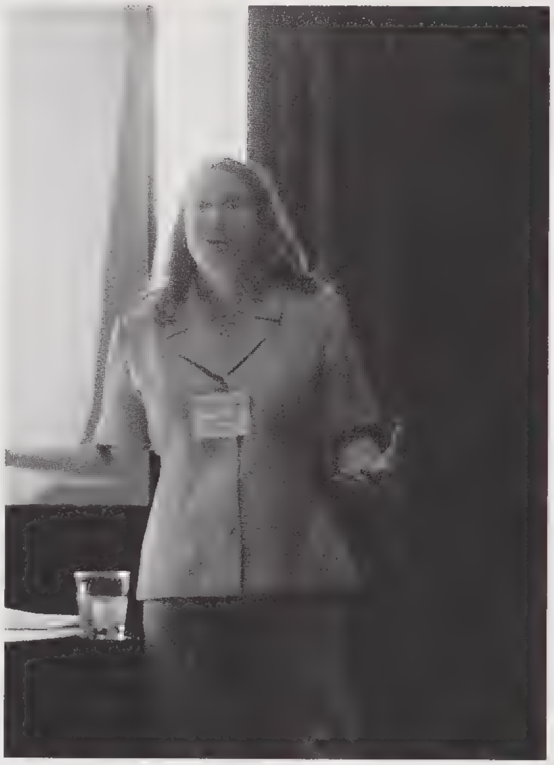
Community service is a very important aspect clubs should keep in mind. Both Interact and AIM put forth a great effort to improve the school and the community. Each club was dedicated to making a difference in the life of others. These clubs are very important in improving our community. So go ahead! Be a volunteer! Join Interact or AIM.

Officers of AIM discuss plans at an officers meeting. Photo by B. Griffith.

Ms. Fletcher talks to some of her AIM members about a new idea for a project. Photo by W. Fletcher.





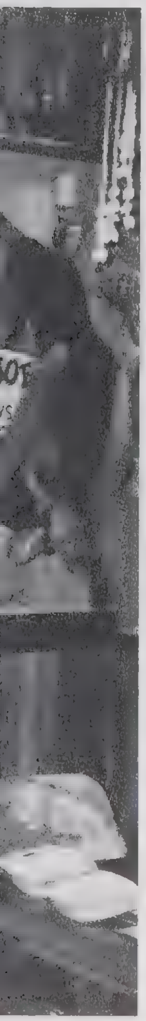


Ms. Fletcher gets really passionate about a discussion with members of AIM. Photo by W. Fletcher.

AIM

President: Elizabeth Tomas Vice President: Angeles Ramirez Secretary: Guadalupe Lopez
Leaders: Nelda Rodriguez, Jason Guillen, Anahi Perez, Molly Silva, and Juan Gomez.

Back Row: Heriberto Bautista, Jonathan Bautista, Ana Aldana, Mayra Ponce, Lupita Lopez, Selene Puga, Nicolas Flores, David Nieto, Luis Obispo, Felipe Rojas, Francisco Hernandez Middle Row: Itzel Palacios, Maria Servin, Yamily Lopez, Claudia Alejos, Juana Diaz, Alma Castillo, Jenny Moreno, Jeannette Rodriguez, Selena Cisneros, Lupita Perez, Abacuc Aguilar, Juan Perez, Patricia Tomas, Mrs. Fletcher. Front Row: Molly Silva, Juan Gomez, Elizabeth Tomas, Jason Guillen, Anahi Perez, Angeles Ramires, Claudia Tamayo. Photo by B. Griffith.



Carrie Conner and Lucy Hillman do the "YMCA" after eating, showing the true spirit of the Interact club members. Photo by F. Nelson.

Interact members enjoy eating at Joe's Crab Shack. Getting together after school was a great way to get to know each other. Photo by F. Nelson.

Interact

President: Lucy Hillman
Vice President: Alex Ploenes
Secretary: Eun Yi
Treasurer: Erin Finsel and Francisco Hernandez

Back Row: Max Ruehlen, James Gibbs, Jed Freeman, Justin Shrader, Alex von Lautz, Lindsey Grayson, Carrie Conner, Heather Madrid, Kacie King, Eun Yi, Sam Young. Front Row: Francisco Rodriguez, Erin Finsel, Lucy Hillman, Alex Ploenes, Nancy Lloyd. Photo by B. Griffith.

Literary Magazine

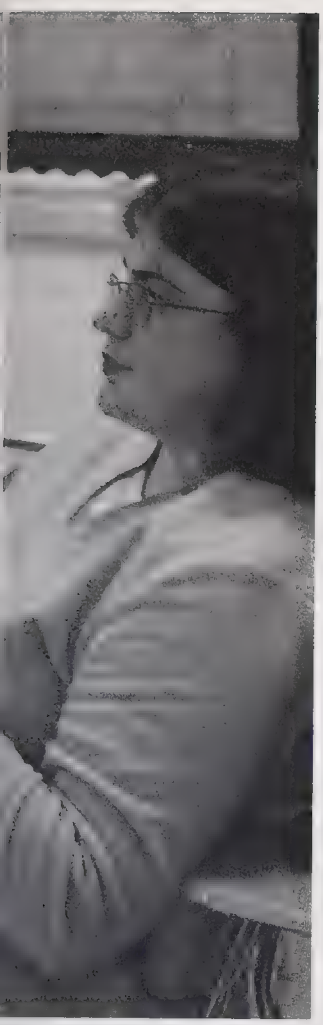
Back Row: Adam McCraw, JT Hartzfeld, Juan Parra Cueto
Middle Row: Karen Landert, Lori Talbot, Daniel Howard
Front Row: Amber Smith, Ali Kirkendall, Ashley Cox

Chief Editor: Lori Talbot
1st Editor: Sam Young
2nd Editor: Daniel Howard
Supervisors: Ms. Childs and Mrs. Hester

Laughing it up. Lori Talbot and her fellow staff members take a picture in the courtyard on this gloomy day, but still so excited.
Photo by B. Griffith

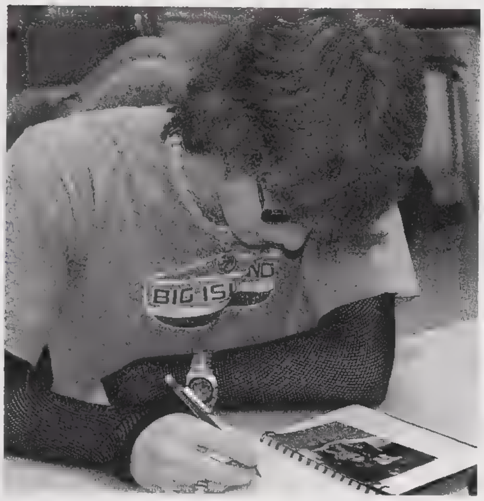
As Ashley works on the magazine, JT pays attention to the information that is being given out at the meeting.
Photo by B. Griffith

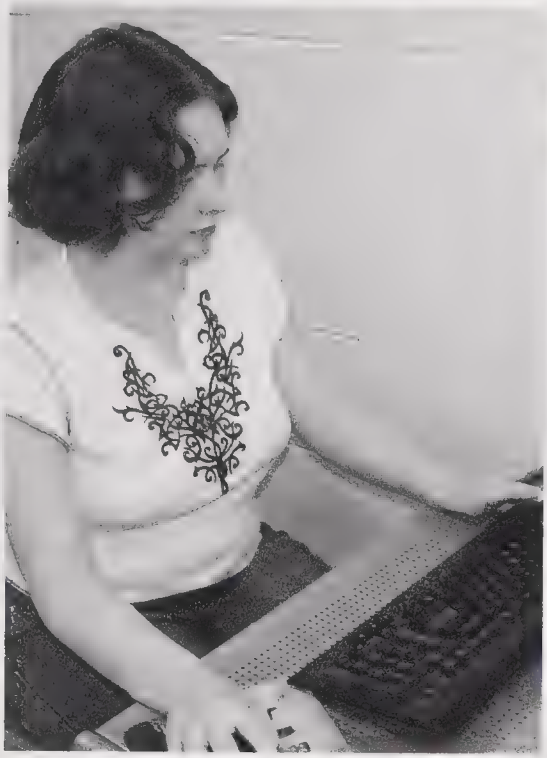
Preaching. Lori Talbot, Chief Editor, talks at a meeting to her other members, looking some what confused.
Photo by B. Griffith



Doing it again. Karen Landert and Ashley Cox work on the magazine while listening to there Chief Editor Lori Talbot. Photo by B. Griffith

Drawing. Adam McCraw the artist of the Magazine draws a picture that will be put into the magazine when the magazine is published Photo by B. Griffith





Working really hard. Lori Talbot, Chief Editor, works on the magazine as much as she can before class is over.
Photo by B. Griffith

new release at school

by Erica Colecio

Coming soon! Return of the Bard. Thanks to Ms. Childs, the literary magazine is back! Though there has been a literary magazine in the past, few people remember it. Chief Editor Lori Talbot, Senior, said, “Ms. Childs approached me about the idea, and I loved it. I've always dreamed of being a published author, and being editor-in-chief just makes it more fun.”

Everyone has there own idea of what they would like to see done next year. Editor Daniel Howard, senior, said,” I would like the magazine to be entered in a contest.” Many members of the staff showed an interest in doing this. However, that would be a little over-reaching the budget. In order to publish the magazine, the staff ran a sponsorship program where sponsors would pay 50 dollars for a mention on the list of bronze sponsors, 100 dollars for mention on the list of silver sponsors, and 200 dollars for mention on the list of gold sponsors.

" Ms. Childs approached me about the idea and I loved it; I've always dreamed of being a published author."

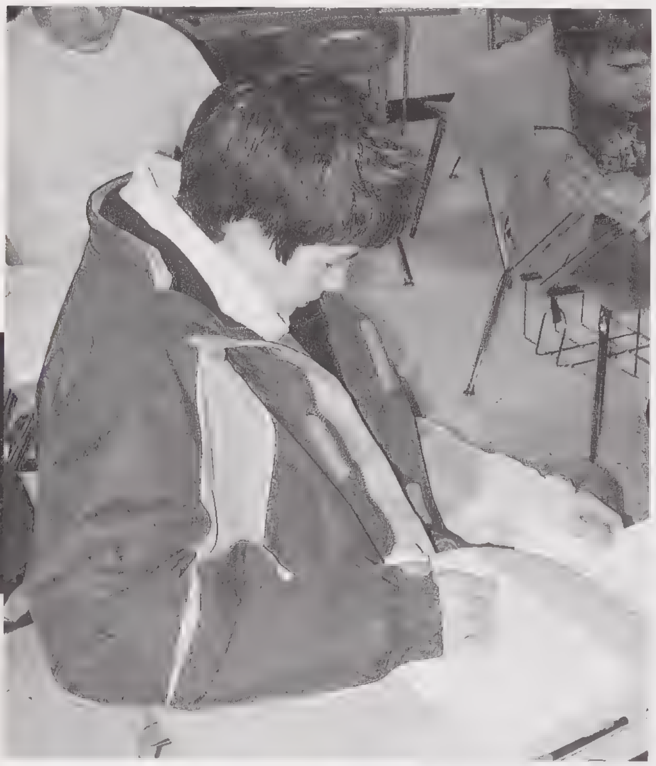
The first magazine came out in May, on yearbook distribution day. Only one could be put out, thanks to limited budget. The staff took advantage of this to make the magazine even better, a true shining example of student creativity. One of the more controversial things done this year was making an online portion of the magazine, which was privately run by the members and hosted on Geocities.com. Reactions to this ranged from a vehement “I hate the idea!” from Editor Sam Young, senior, to an “I think it's a really good Idea,” from artist Adam McCraw, junior. Daniel said, “It will help the students who like to write, write longer,” since these were unable to be put in the magazine itself.

The staff was made up of mostly juniors and seniors, but the current staff would love to see some more interest from underclassman for the next edition!

NORTH STAR

Editor in Chief Tiffany Barnwell

Back row: Chad Stevens, Mike Bemish, Wayne Nock, Middle Row: Mikey Harwood, Jacob Beistel, Jed Freeman, Josh Goldstein Front Row: Danielle Rodgers, Emily Lyda, Tiffany Barnwell, Shanice Marshall



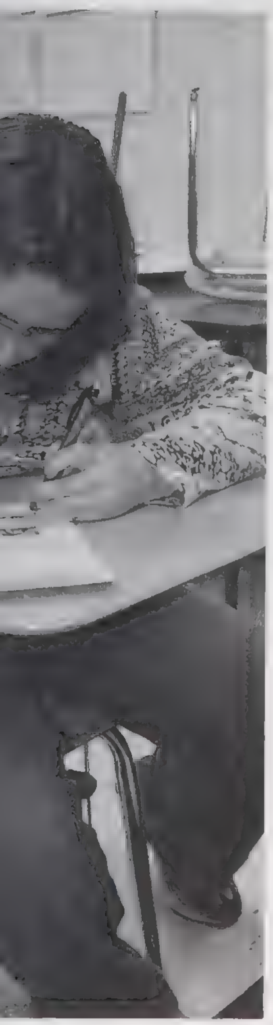
Jacob Beistel, Sophomore, is writing his story for the next issue of the newspaper. Photo by B. Griffith

Tiffany Barnwell, Senior, Editor in Chief, is checking the stories for errors. Photo by B. Griffith

Danielle Rodgers, Sophomore, is editing the front page for the newspaper since this is the first time the newspaper is going to be in color. Photo by B. Griffith

Shanice Marshall, Sophomore, is typing her story for the newspaper. The deadline is almost near and she has to be done in time. Photo by B. Griffith

Mrs. Hester, Adviser, is page editing so the newspaper could come out without any errors. Photo by B. Griffith



Jed Freeman, Sophomore, is working on page design. The newspaper staff had to learn both design and computer programs to build the paper. Photo by B. Griffith

tell all the truth

by Jason Guillén

The North Star is the first school newspaper. During the first weeks of the school year, students gave possible names for the newspaper during homeroom. Then it was time to vote, the person who came up with the name that everyone voted for won two tickets to the movies. The winning name was the North Star.

Senior, Tiffany Barnwell, Editor-in-chief, has done a great job by keeping everyone working and turning everything on time. Unfortunately she won't be on the staff next year since she is graduating. Junior, Kristen Foster, joined the newspaper because it was "A love for writing and a challenge in a sense of writing against the standard essay form".

The newspaper staff has many challenges like turning everything in by deadline. "Another, challenge is starting from scratch; we had to learn the software, and most important, learn journalism" said Mrs. Katrina Hester, Adviser. It started with a small staff of eight people and grew. The staff members said "that the biggest challenge with working on the newspaper staff was getting articles in by deadline and page design".

> "Newspaper is a lot like yearbook..."

According to staff member Josh Goldstain, "Newspaper is alot like yearbook: you have a deadline to meet, and sometimes it can get rather hectic. Although it is tough at times, it can be very fun. As a group we think of alot of different topics and think of different articles we could write, then assign four or five to different people." Josh was the only student to be in both newspaper and yearbook staff.

The North Star was a place for students to talk to other students about issues and events around school. Mrs. Hester said, "I believe it's important for students to have a forum to discuss issues and events important to them."

meet the deadline

by Anahi Perez and Jessica Crocker

From the first day of school to yearbook day in May, the Excalibur staff spent an incredible amount of time and effort in putting together the one thing students looked forward to, the Yearbook. Often times students, see the final project, and not all the hard work, long meetings, and the dreaded rushes to complete each deadline.

Editor Courtney Capps, Junior, said "Deadlines put a lot of stress on everyone in the staff; when deadlines come, everyone needs my help at one time, and it's really frustrating." Deadlines were placed so that pages could be turned in to the printing company.

Although yearbook was a lot of hard work, the staff also had fun along the way, junior Tara Ward said, "My best memory was realizing that what I was contributing in the yearbook would always be part of my life. One day when I'm old I will look back at my yearbook and say, hey I did that spread." These students weren't just in a class together, along the way they truly became a staff of friends. "The staff got off to a rocky start but, I think we all realized we had to come together to make this book happen," said junior Anahi Perez.

The staff was one of dedication and hard work. Their desire to complete a successful yearbook was unbelievable and yet their ideas and work ethic were beyond belief. "This was a staff in which anyone would have been honored to work with, even though sometimes things got stressful, everyone was able to do their part, and do it well," said senior Jessica Crocker. The staff overall worked well together and created memories of each other and other students to last a lifetime.

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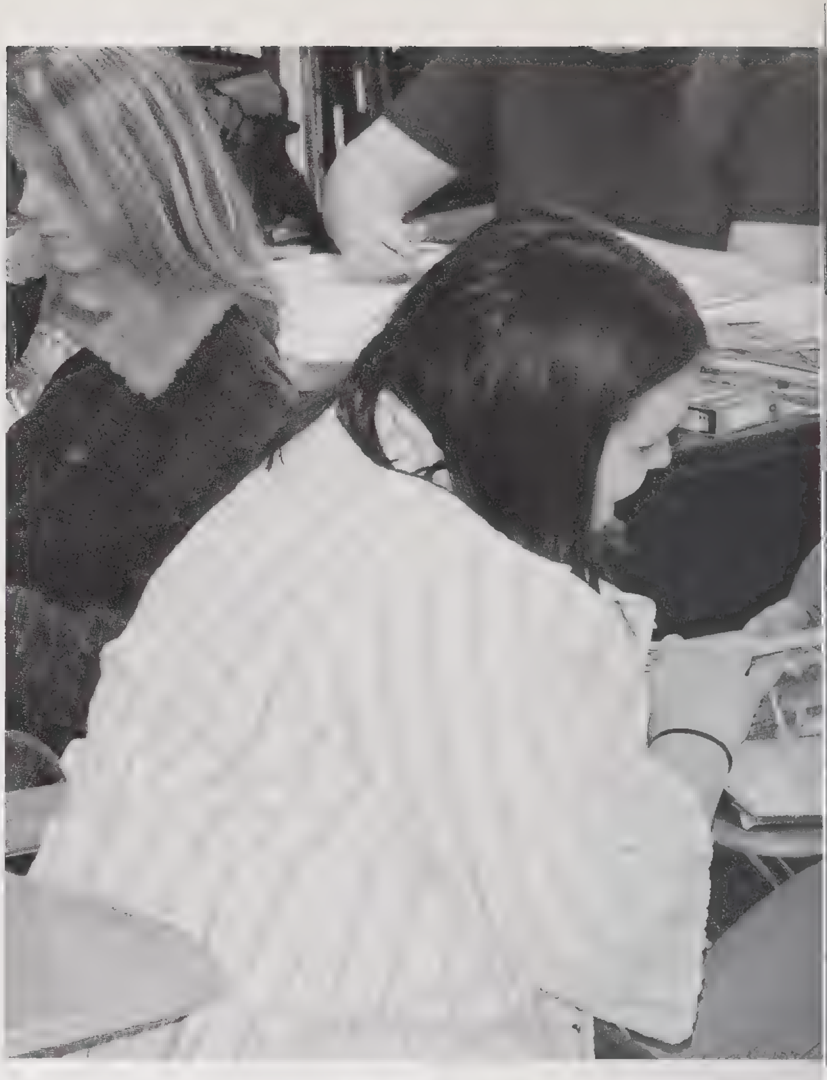
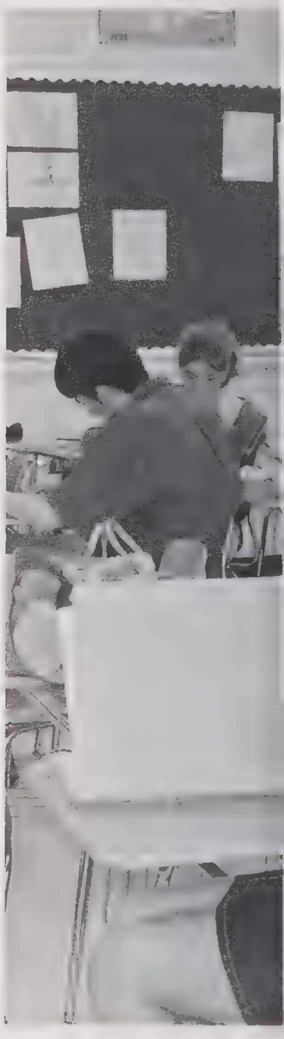


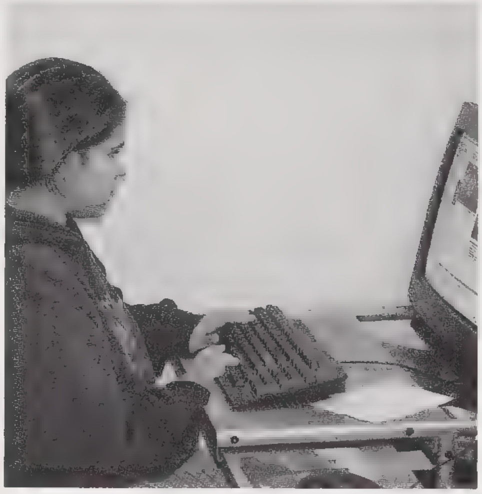


Corey Williams and William Hardin work hard to finish their spread.These two worked hard together because they are very comnpatible.Photo by B. Griffith

Chelsea Erskine closes her notebook. She worked very hard to meet deadline and was happy when she finished. Photo by B. Griffith

Tara Ward and Kasi Dowdle examine a yearbook for quality. Both of these girls were on excalibur staff both semesters. Photo by B. Griffith

Erica Colecio concentrates hard on getting her work in the computer. Erica was the Business Manager for the yearbook. Photo by B. Griffith



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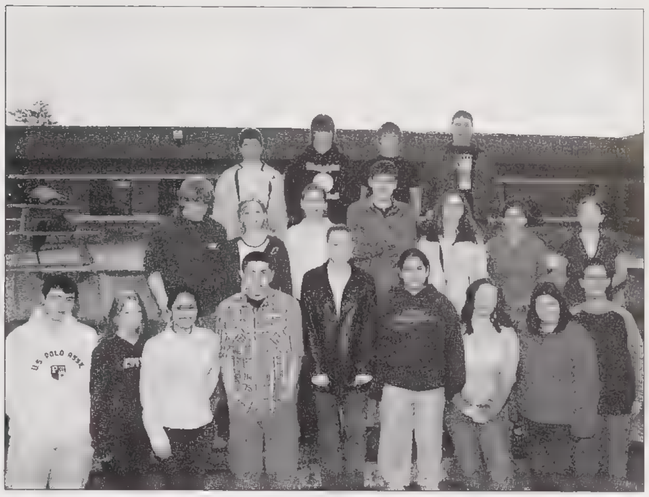

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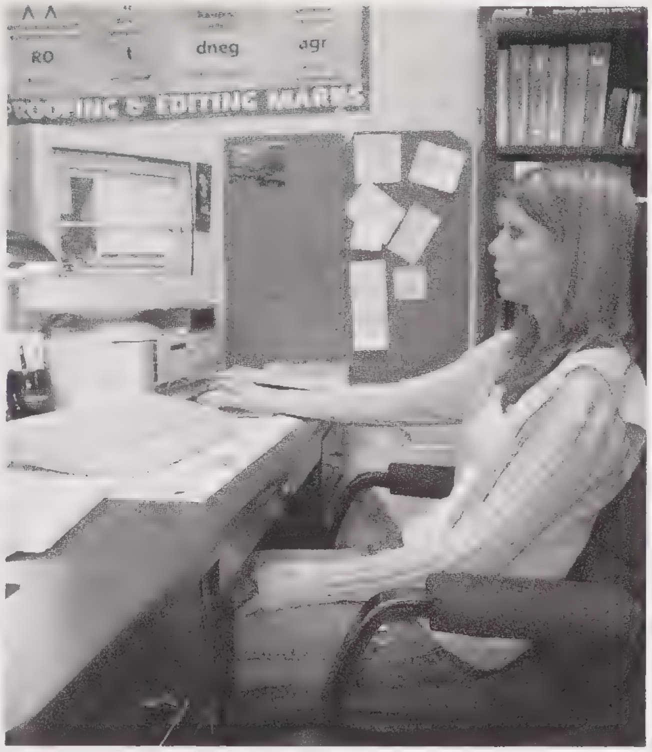

Lauren Cannon edits a page in the academics section. Editors spend hours after school working on correcting pictures and stories. Photo by B. Griffith

Erin Finsel looks at a yearbook for some ideas. Erin will be a photographer for the yearbook next year. Photo by B. Griffith

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We love you so very much.

Mom Tommy Lindsey

Ashley Woody

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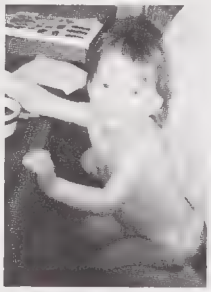
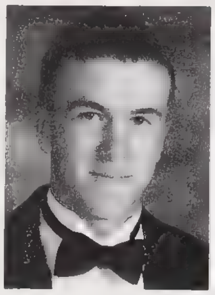


Kaley, "Kay-Kay", a beautiful young woman, a privledge to know. A high achieve setting goals then meeting and exceeding them. Your future is bright, may you achieve all your dreams. You've made us proud, we love and support you. God bless you.

Love,

Your Family

Dan Hazlett



Daniel: You work hard, play hard and study hard. We are proud of your grades, your golf game and your innate honesty. We love you. Good luck at PGM school wherever you go to college.

Mom and Dad

Chava London

Having you for a daughter means sharing a world full of adventure and laughter and fun…
It means that love grows deeper each day for your whole lifetime…
It means letting you become you own person…
It means special memories only we share…
We'll always love you…

Mama,
Daddy,
Sherah &
Jonathan

Cody Newman

Cody,

You have been such a blessing to us all. We love you and wish you the best life can give you. Always do your best and never lose your sweet personality.

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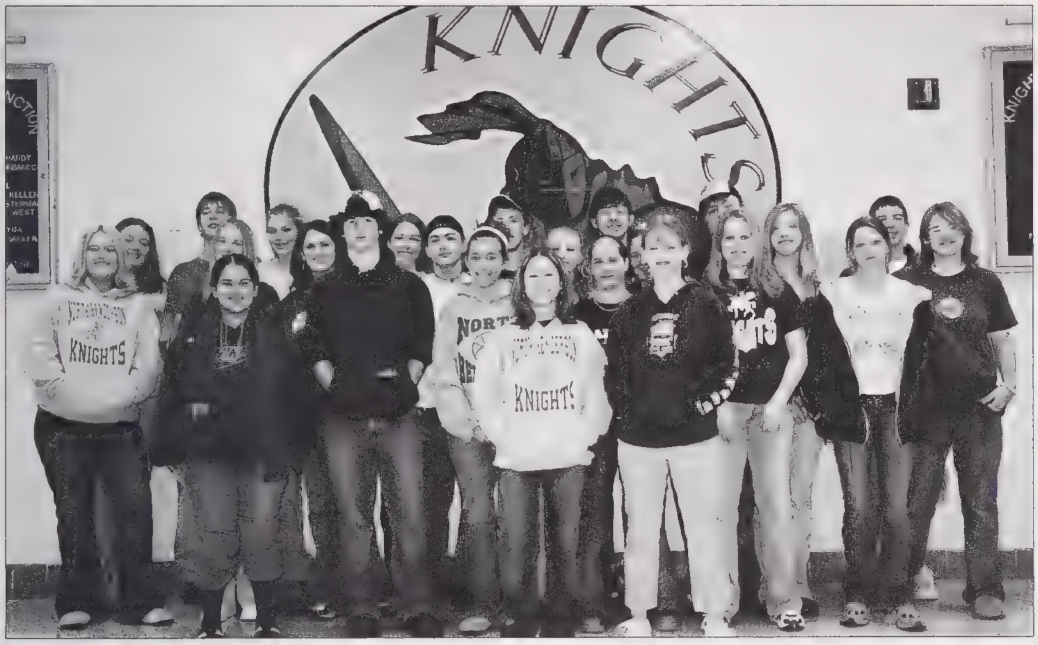
Dan Man-

You have brought much joy into our lives. We are thankful God gave you to us. God has a plan for your life if you will seek his will and way. Psalm 37:23

Love you forever,

Mom, Dad,
Holly, Leroy,
Serita, Madisen,
John and Charlie



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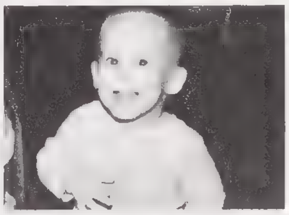
Bill,

We've watched your growing pains through the years and are so proud of what you've become in the last 2. We know there's always challenges in life and we are confident that you'll go far.



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Dad

Faith Brandenburg

Boo,
Wasn't it just yesterday that you started this journey called school? With your Little Mermaid backpack and press-on earrings. Now you start an even bigger journey. You have learned so much and still have so much to learn. We love you more.

Mom Dad T.J. James & Valerie Heather ,A.J.

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Mom and Dad

Kelda Sluder

Kelda Marie Sluder

" Reach high, for
stars lie hidden in
your soul.
Dream deep, for
every dream
precedes the goal."
Pamela Starr

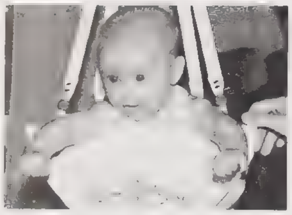
Remember you can always depend on your support, guidance, friendship, and love.
We love you "KK"
Daddy, Momma, and "B"
Proverbs 3:4 –6

Morgan Drake

Be a flame
Or be a spark
Be a candle
in the dark.
Be a sunbeam
or
a star
Be the shining
light
you are!

We love you and are so proud of you!

Mom, Dad and Mattie



Our Dearest Lauren,

We are so proud of you! At first you were just a fluttering little butterfly. Then you changed into a beautiful dove. Now, Love, comes your change to the majestic eagle.... Soar! Remember, we're always here for you!

Love,

Mom and Dad

Lauren Lovern

Holly Burgess

Dearest Holly,

This miracle God gave us gives us strength, hope and unconditional love. You have grown into a remarkable Christian Lady. Your intelligence, determination, and compassion for others will serve you well. As the song says," In my daughter's eyes everyone is equal".

Love,

Mom, David,
Rachel, Brent and
Derrick

Quentin Williams

From this day your Dad delivered you to this day of graduation, we have watched with wonder as you have grown. You are a gift from God that makes our hearts giggle. May you always know you are loved.

Mom & Dad

Jana Pierson

We can't believe it is time for graduation. It is hard to let go. We are very proud of you. You have scholastic achievement and superb character. You are truly a blessing. We hope all your dreams come true.

Love, Mom & Dad

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I Corinthians 13

Love,

Mom, Dad,
Matthew & Lily

Tyler Nix

Tyler,
Always independent and doing it your way. From the curly locks, the playful grin to the bursts of energy, you have always been special and brought a quick smile. All these traits, no doubt, will carry you a long way in life.
What a privilege it is to have you in our lives. We love you very much and wish for you the best in life!
Dad, Mom, Brent,
Natalie

Jessica Lynn Capps

Jessica,

It's been a long twelve years and you have" bared" them all. You have achieved many goals and we are so very proud of you. Keep God first and remember God has a perfect plan for you.

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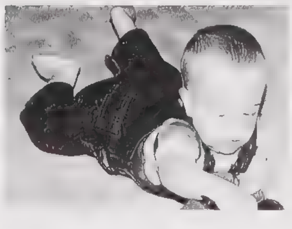
Love,
Dad, Mom, Elissa

Jason Blackwell

Dear Jason,

My how the years have flown by. Although you have grown into a fine young man some things will never change. Keep God first in your life and remember you can do anything through him. We are proud to have you as our son.



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Dad

Brittany K. Jones

Britt--
You have been such a delight in our lives. Your wonderful smile and zest for life has made you such a joy to be around. May God keep His hand on you, as you journey through life and always know you can trust His heart.

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We love you!
Mama, Daddy & Dana

Kendra L. Chldress

Kendra,
You came into our world with that beautiful smile of yours that touches all you meet. You have always made us proud. We know that with faith and God's love, you will be successful in all you do.

We love you,
Mom, Dad & Brandon

Kyle Brett Starling

Kyle,
You are the sunshine of our lives. It is a privilege to be part of your life. We are proud of you. We are convinced God has great things in store for you. Keep God first in your life.

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You as your journey begins.
I Love You…Mom
We Love You ,Tiffany!
Aaron & Jessica

Zach Brown

Zach,

We are so proud of you! It's impossible to express the love, pride, joy, laughter, that you have brought to our lives. Just remember, you will be Daddy's boy, Mama's precious Zachy, and Dilly's big brother….until the 32nd of December. " We hope you have the time of your life."

We love you and God Bless, Mom, Dad, and Travis

Brian Hyder

To our favorite son, Brian:
You have grown into an incredible young man. The confidence you have in yourself will allow you to meet all your goals.
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Love,
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Grant Joseph Keaser

Grant--
Raising you has been easy, fun, happy, and over too quickly. Though you are responsible, talented and brilliant, your best qualities and your compassion and sense of humor. Never change, Son! From Ninja Turtles, karate & home runs at Fletcher field, to paintball, #61 & #40, and on to?? Continue to find the beauty, grow as you are, and no matter WHAT happens in life, we're there. PS: Your Grandad & Granny See your success!! Mom, Dad, Candyce, & Justice

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Kristen Glass

Kristen,

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I'm proud of you
Love,
Mom

Jessica Hensley

Baby Doll,

The day that you were born was the most wonderful day of our life. You are an angel from above. Not a day goes by that we don't thank the lord for bringing us a precious angel. We are so proud of you. You have came through so many obstacles and yet turned out to be a wonderful young lady. Always remember we love you with all or hearts.

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You have all our love and best wishes and support for a happy and successful life ahead.
Love,
All of Us!

Levi Wright

Levi,
We're so thankful that you're our son. Congratulations on your high school achievements. We know you're going to do just fine in life. Honor God and make good decisions. We love you with all our hearts and were very proud of you!
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Keep that beautiful smile!

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The day you were born was one of our happiest days ever! You have grown into such a beautiful woman- inside & out.
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Josh,

What a joy and a blessing it has been watching you grow and become the fine, young man that you are. We are so proud of all you have accomplished and we know how hard you have worked to achieve all the great things you have done.

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Our little" Drama Queen" You started "Show Biz" at an early age. You'll always be a star in our eyes!

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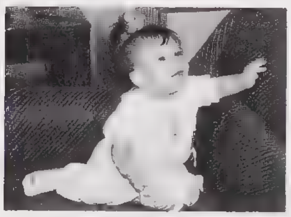

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Today has arrived way to fast for me, it seems like only yesterday that I was taking you off for your first-day of Kindergarten, and here you are making plans for your future, after graduation. You have grown into a beautiful young lady but you will always be my little girl. Always reach for the stars and never stop chasing your Dreams….

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Justin,

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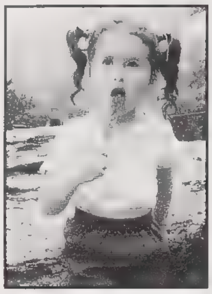

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MaryAnn,
I've loved you since the moment you grew beneath my heart, the women you've become makes me proud.

Love,
Mom

You were my sweet, curly haired baby and now your my beautiful daughter, I'm so proud of you.

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Much Love Always
Mom, Dad
John, Mary, and Emily

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Congratulations! We are so proud of the responsible young lady you have become. God has richly blessed us as we have watched you grow. Remember, seek God's will in all you do. He will never guide you wrong.

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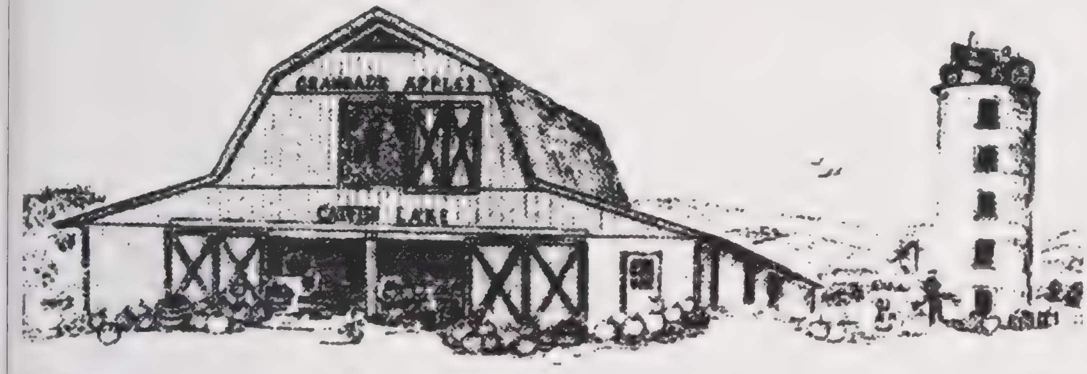

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Craig,

We're so proud of you. You've come through a lot to make yourself stronger. We know you'll succeed at whatever you choose to do. We love ya very much.

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Love,
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Jonathan,

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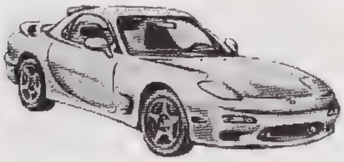

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By Anahi Perez and Courtney Capps

Students found newer and better ways to connect as the year went on. They realized how important high school is and that they should succeed to become better in life. Students started working harder and becoming more involved with their school academics.

As students approach their senior year, they find it harder and harder to slack off. The closer that they get to being the biggest people in the school nothing else seems more important to them then getting to that spot as senior. Being an underclassman can be hard and tough but they think about what it would be like for them to be seniors and they are able to get through it.

Seniors can't wait to get out of their high school and they want to make sure that they do get out. They like being to biggest students in the school but they want to go out and start their new lives as college students or as any thing but high school dropouts.

Every school year the students are the same way. The underclassmen want to be seniors and the seniors want to get out of high school as soon as possible. All of the students connect in this way. School is all one big **connection**.

Students aren't the only ones into showing off their talents. Coach Pittillo lends us some musical talent during the homecoming pep rally. Photo by F. Gore

Matthew Glover and Kaley McCormack perform the one-act play "Lovers." These two will be graduating this year. Photo by C. Stevens

During one of the peprallies the mascot decided to dance with some of the cheerleaders. Photo by F. Gore

Andrew Beck leads the spirit squad to cheer on the team. The squad was as dedicated to football as the players themselves. Photo by B. Griffith

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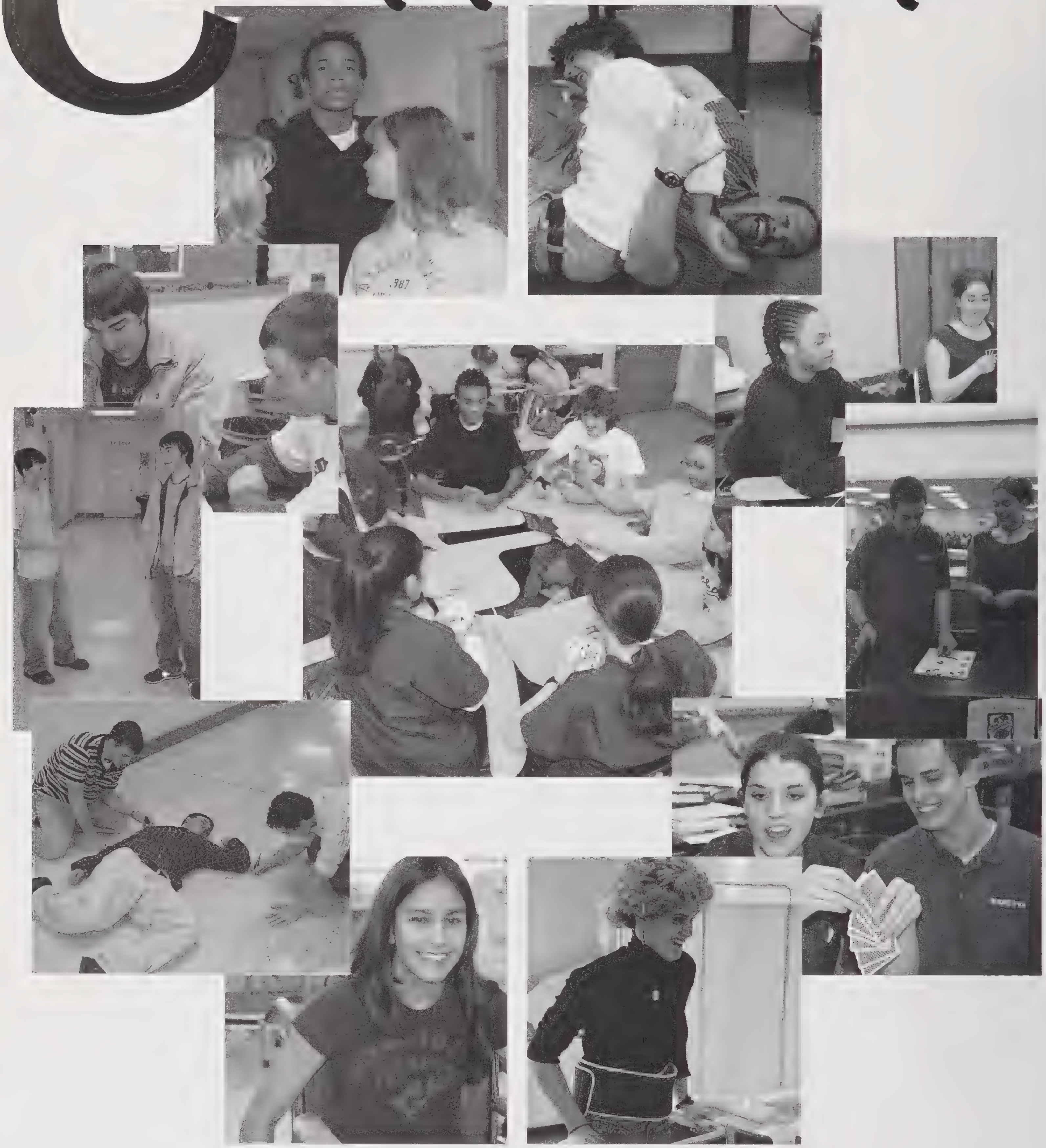

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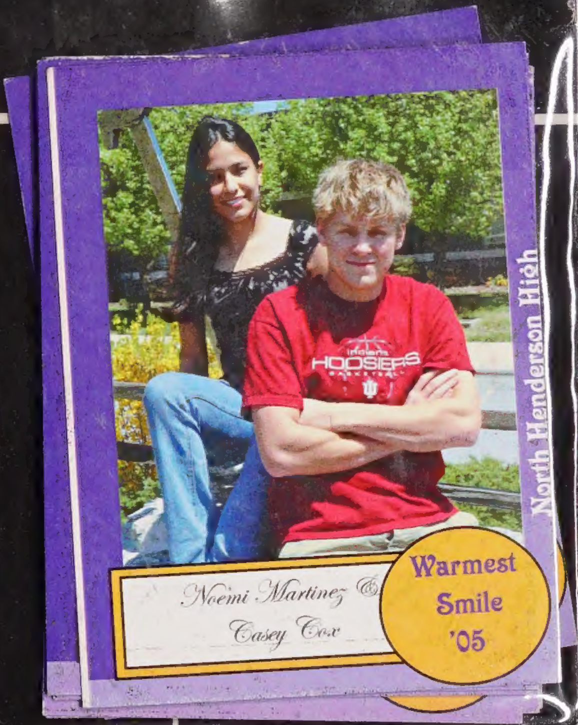

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